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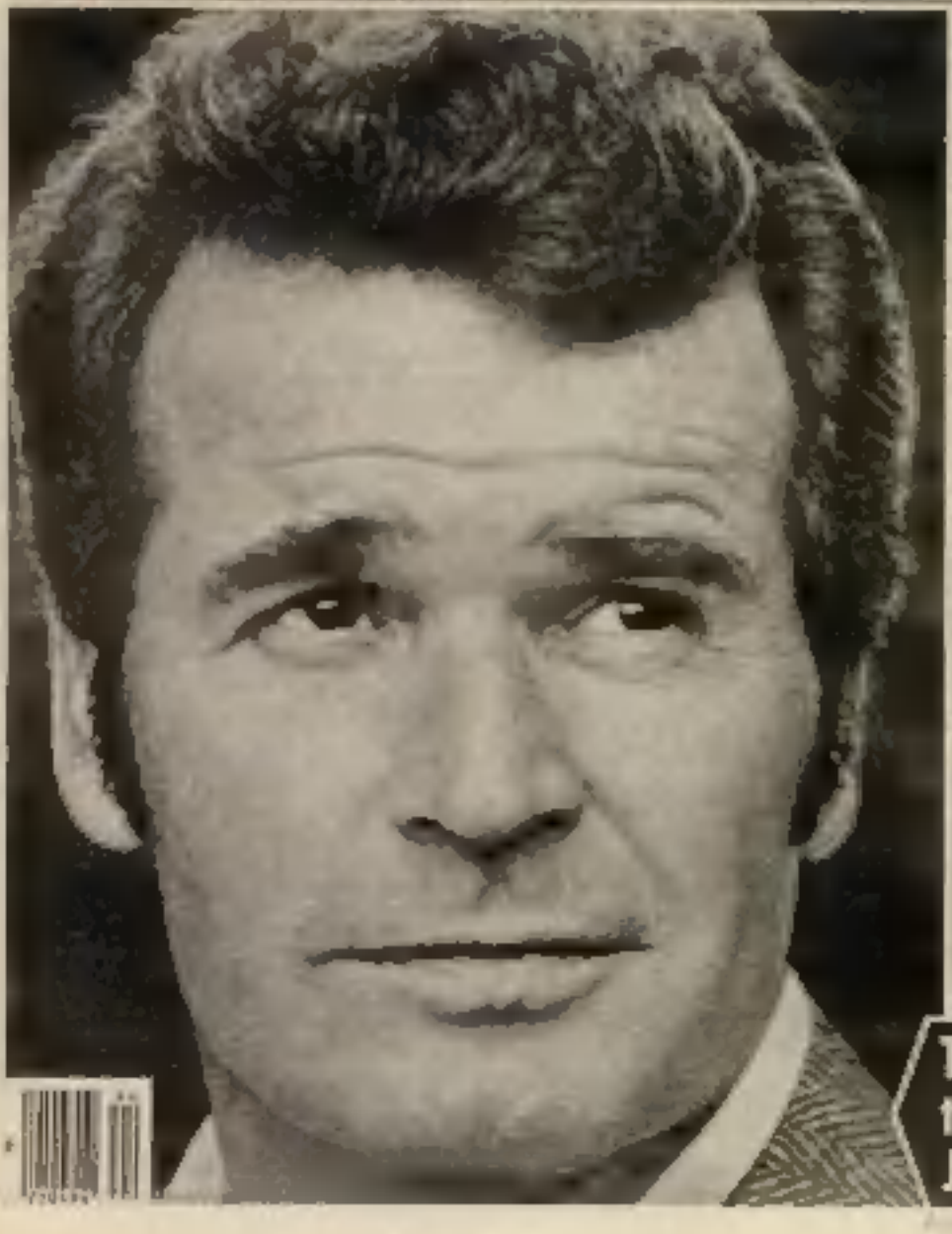

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The agonizing disease that could wreck Jim Garner's career

Astrologer's business is going to the dogs

Astrologer June Moore probes the stars to uncover the innermost secrets of her beloved "clients" — the mutts of America

The astounding stargaze charts personalized horoscopes for an untold number of pooches every year and supposes advice on how to take the bite out of a mad dog's life

"Dogs are a lot like children — and if you don't really understand what makes them tick, you aren't going to be able to handle them very well or to make them very happy," June told The NEWS

"I'm always shocked at how little some people know about their dogs.

June's ready to change that. Simply provide her with your dog's breed and birth date and she'll give you a complete personality report on the pup.

And the Dora Kalon Psychiatrist will draw up your unique Doggiescope for a mere $5.

"I'm not trying to get rich at this," June said. "I do it because I love dogs and I've always had a sort of knack about them."

"It may seem strange to some people, but this is my hobby."

June started her own unusual brand of astrology several years ago when she lived among Scorpio types in California.

"My friends were always talking about signs — Taureans do this, Pisces are like that," she recalled.

"I wasn't much interested until I noticed that dogs born under certain signs showed some of the same traits that people were supposed to have.

"That's when I began to fascinate me."

June plunged into a study of astrology and personality development in dogs. She devoted efforts for her frisky classmate, Boomer, and his constant companion, Bonnie and Clyde, and was soon doing the same thing for her friends' pooches.

Before long she was advertising in newspapers and dog owners all over the country were knocking for Doggiescopes.

In fact, she recent letter included requests for charts on 11 different dogs.

"Someone in a book heard about what I do and got in excited she went to work and got everybody signed up for a Doggiescope," she recalled.

But June also receives a startling number of requests she can't honor.

"The other day I got a goofy call from a woman who wanted me to ask her about her racoon," she said.

"I've had calls about goldfish, tarantulas ... all sorts of weird things.

"But I have to turn them down because I'm not sure anything but dogs."

And not all the calls she gets are friendly.

"A older woman called me the other day and told me I was a fake and a phony. She was mad because she read where I had said some unkind things about pet owners," June said.

"People who like their pets quite seem to believe they're very friendly dogs," she said.

"But that's just not in the stars.

Doggie astrologer June Moore started charting the stars for pooches with her two frisky poodles, Bonnie and Clyde

Underground parking

There's no way to back out of this. These old cars were buried and parked area with asphalt in a new shopping plaza in Hamden, Conn. The unusual sight is a real traffic stopper for passing motorists.

IT'S A MAD, MAD WORLD

Slaughterhouse goofs and turns $50,000 prize bull into expensive hamburger

A prize breeding bull worth about $50,000 wound up in a slaughterhouse by mistake and was turned into steaks and hamburger before the error was discovered.

The 1,800-pound animal's Jewish owner phoned the Fresno, Calif., meat packing plant in a desperate effort to save Stanley the bull from the butcher's block.

But her call came moments too late. Stanley's carcass was already being marked as prime beef.

"Stanley had a lot of possibilities as a breeder," said his distraught owner Marlou Dolan of Driftwood Farms in Chino, Calif.

Stanley's doom with dummy began when a truck driver at an auction sale loaded him aboard his truck without viewing the identity tag that hung around his neck.

And, unfortunately, no one checked the bull's identity tag when he reached the packing plant, either.

"He didn't look any different than the other ones," said the packing plant supervisor.

The meat packers paid Stanley's owner the going rate for beef on the hoof — $1,260 in his case, a little under 70 cents a pound.

Strokers don't fare card players

When four naked people streaked through a plush Houston hotel ballroom during a bridge tournament, the card players didn't raise a trick.

The 100 conventioneers were so intent on their card-playing, they couldn't take their eyes off the streakers' dash through the big, frescoed dining room.

Only about 20 of them even bothered to glance up from their hands, tournament observers said.

Driller hits oil but wants water

Leroy Roberts struck oil on his land — but he's losing money.

The Ashe, Ohio., resident has spent over $1,000 to drill two holes. On the first try he hit oil.

On the second he found natural gas.

What he really wants is water — plain water.

He doesn't care the mineral rights on his land and he says he can't drink the gas or oil.

So he's going to keep on pumping water from his sister's well a quarter-mile away.

"We drilled two wells and then we quit. There just wasn't no sense in drilling," said Roberts.

Reagan inspires a jelly-bean snake

President Reagan's fondness for jelly beans has inspired somebody to do this: to develop his newest creation — jelly bean-flavored tobacco.

The was on the first presidentially inspired effort.

Back in the days when Jimmy Carter was in office, Tim whipped up a peanut butter blend at his Tucson, Ariz., establishment.

"It started with the Watergate hearings when I saw those lawyers in the background smoking pipes," said Hil.

"I was there three or four of my evenings."

He's disappointed that exhibit Carter nor Reagan smoke pipes.

"It's a shame as he do so leaves go to waste," he says.

Forgotten prisoner parks in jail

Donald Stein spent three weeks in jail — for a parking ticket that wasn't his.

Stein' ordeal began when he was arrested for drunkenness and tossed in jail as other hapNormally, this means a night in jail.

But in Stein' case, Nashville, Tenn., officials found an outstanding warrant for his arrest for parking his car on a sidewalk.

Stein was left in jail and apparently forgotten until he persuaded an attorney who was in the jail on other business to hear him out.

The attorney went before a judge and obtained Stein' release.

Court officials said they had no record of Stein' case and could not explain why he was held in the first place.

"I don't even have a driver's license," said Stein.

Gunman robs store and then apologizes

A gunman raided convenience store clerk Donna Warcovich — and then apologized before he fled with all the cash from the register.

Donna was terrified when the man came into the store, pulled a gun and held out an empty paper bag.

There was $42 in bills in the Charlotte, N.C., store. The thief didn't want any change, the clerk said.

After he filled the bag with the money, the robber put his gun in his pocket and headed for the door.

But before fleeing he stopped long enough to tell the frightened clerk: "I'm sorry I scared you."

The great fish had struck once — terrified, he waited for it to strike again

Surfer's nightmare shark ordeal

By DICK DONOVAN

Surfer Scott Armstrong was savaged by the slashing, steel-trap jaws of a man-eating shark — but for some unknown reason, the great fish did not return to finish his easy kill.

"I heard a loud splash," Scott told The NEWS. "Then I heard the jaws snap shut. When I looked back, I saw my foot in the mouth of a shark.

"His teeth were buried in my shin bone. There wasn't any pain at first — just fear. I was about 100 feet from shore. If a shad grabbed me in the thigh, I probably would have bled to death before I reached land."

Scott's harrowing ordeal began on a warm afternoon as he paddled his surfboard eastward off Playalinda Beach near the Titusville, Fla., home.

"I had caught a pretty good wave and was pushing my board back out," the 24-year-old ex-lifeguard said. "I wasn't too concerned about sharks, though I knew there probably were a lot of them out there. I had often seen them flashing through the water at the base of a building wave.

"When I saw the splash, I was sure it was a school of bait fish. That meant there had to be sharks feeding and I didn't want to be anywhere near feeding sharks."

Scott turned his surfboard and began paddling parallel to the beach, trying to put as much distance as possible between himself and the thrashing bait fish.

"The water wasn't too choppy, but it was cloudy from the sand that was being churned up by the breakers," he said.

"I was pouring on the steam to get away from the bait fish. But about four seconds after I had started my move, I saw the big shark coming right at me head-on.

"It dived under my board and came up at me. Suddenly I felt its jaws clamp around my foot and felt its teeth sink into my shin bone.

"It's incredible how much power a shark has. I couldn't move my leg at all. Its teeth were anchored in my shin bone and I was absolutely helpless."

Scott says he is positive his vicious attacker was a shark and not a barracuda, an unpredictable killer fish often blamed as the real culprit in reported shark attacks.

"I'm a scuba diver and I work in a dive shop. I know what sharks look like," he said. "For just a split second, I looked back and saw the shark with its jaws clamped around my foot.

"I don't know what kind of shark it was, but it was about 7 feet long, and that's a conservative estimate. It thrashed its tail a couple of times, then it just pulled me all my board. That's when I really felt terrified.

"The shark had actually come out of the water to grab me. Now I was in the water with the blood of dead bait fish all around me.

"I knew the fish was coming back for the kill, so I could do was hang on to my board and wait for it to hit again."

But for some unexplainable reason, the shark did not return.

Scott managed to climb back on his board and paddle to shore. When he reached the beach, another surfer drove him to a hospital.

"My foot was pretty badly mangled, but there was no permanent damage," he said. "They put a cast on my leg and let me go home. In all, I'd say I was a pretty lucky guy."

Scott was the second person to be attacked by a shark off Titusville, where three other attacks have occurred so far this year.

And at least a dozen people have been attacked this year in the blue-green Atlantic waters that skirt Florida's east coast.

In one horrifying incident off Daytona Beach, 15-year-old Christy Wagenseller died in the jaws of a man-eater after her ordeal captured.

Shark experts are completely baffled by the alarming increase in shark activity in recent months.

Riding high

Young Rick Lewis of Little Rock, Ark., has found a way to beat prolific jaws — he gets above it all on his super-stiletto.

Surfer Scott Armstrong . . . "I heard the jaws snap shut, then I looked back and saw my foot in the mouth of the shark."

Teen jailed 30 days for stealing food worth $2

A teenaged Bible salesman who says he was hungry and broke has been jailed for 30 days — for stealing $2 worth of food from a supermarket.

Robert Cotton, 19, said the magazine and Bible company that hired him had provided a room, "but it was going on two days that I couldn't get food.

"I put some Bibles, but I didn't get nothing really. They wouldn't lend me any money and when I wanted to quit they were just going to leave me stranded."

Cotton of Flint, Mich., said his hotel and other expenses were deducted from his commission.

The teen's troubles began when he answered an ad for traveling magazine and Bible salesmen.

He and about 30 other young salesmen worked their way through Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania under a boss named Gloria Mitchell.

When they reached East Orange, N.J., Cotton says that Mitchell refused to lend him money for food or for the fare to his mother's home in Flint.

In desperation the youth stole three packages of oatmeal cookies, brownies and cupcakes.

He was later arrested and jailed for 30 days.

A spokesman for the book company, American Number Services of New Cutley, Tex., said "Cotton was not our employee. He was an independent contractor."

The spokesman said she did not find it unusual that Gloria Mitchell had refused to lend Cotton money for food.

From his jail cell in Caldwell, N.J., Cotton said he couldn't get a job in his hometown. Then a friend told him it was easy to get a job selling Bibles.

He went to fix a phone and saved a life instead

By JOE BERGER

Repairman James Favio was sent to fix a phone, but he ended up saving a life.

The 33-year-old repairman believes he was on a mission from God when he was sent to David Meyer's home in Los Angeles.

He knocked on the door and got no answer, but a sixth sense that something was wrong kept him from leaving — and on a hunch he walked around the house.

When James peered into a window he found David tied up, bleeding and near death.

The law student had been jumped down by gold-blooded thugs who broke into the house. He had been in helpless agony for 10 horrible hours before he was rescued by James.

"There's no doubt in my mind that God sent me there to save a life," the roving phone repairman told The NEWS.

"It was beyond my control. I did what I did because God diverted me there. The circumstances were all made for me."

The victim's peaceful world crashed down around him in the middle of the night when two ruthless headhunts broke into the West Los Angeles home.

David, 20, awoke to find the thugs noisily ransacking the house.

The thieves whipped David savagely with their pistols. Then, in an act of blood-thirsty brutality, one of them shoved a pillow against the student's back and fired through it at David's spine.

Moments later, the burglars fled, leaving their victim to die. But a miracle gave the agonized victim a second chance at life.

Just after dusk, as David teetered on the edge of consciousness, James arrived and rang the doorbell.

The victim screamed for help, but James couldn't hear him and started to walk away.

"Then subconsciously I just sensed that something was wrong — that I ought to stay around," he recalled.

James walked toward the back of the house, and suddenly he heard David's faint, plaintive cries. He looked through a window and spotted the victim lying on a bedroom floor.

"I could see he'd been beat up bad. His hands were tied and he was gasping for air and yelling, 'Help me! Help me! I've been shot!'" James said.

The repairman ran to his truck and radioed his dispatcher, asking for police and an ambulance. Then he turned back to the house and crawled through the window to the stricken man's side.

"I guess I was a little afraid that the gunmen were still in the house, that this was some kind of a trap," he said. "But God was protecting me, giving me courage."

While the ambulance was on its way, James comforted David without moving him.

"He was so happy to see somebody that he was actually smiling despite his awful pain," James said. "Then he broke down in tears."

"He said he had been praying and I asked if I could pray with him. I knelt down beside him and we asked the Father to do whatever He had to do to save this man."

Police Sgt. Andrew Reider said there is little chance David would have lived if James hadn't come to his aid.

"I can only thank God that I was sent there to help," James said. "I don't think for a minute that I deserve any of the praise."

Repairman James Favio believes he was on a mission from God when he went to fix a phone and saved a man's life.

"I see the boss is out at lunch."

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350 workers build fancy house in amazing 4 hours to set new world record

Three hundred and fifty construction workers raced against the clock to build a home from start to finish in record-breaking time — and they did it in four hours and 18 minutes.

They beat another team that finished 10 minutes behind them.

Both three-bedroom, two-bath homes will go on the market for $70,000-$80,000.

While the teams raced in Sunnymead, Calif., some 1,500 bystanders yelled encouragement. The crowds cheered wildly for their favorite team. Busloads of children were brought from nearby schools to watch.

Drill bands, strong backs and great teamwork — all rehearsed earlier — molded the house where only bare land had stood when the starting gun was fired. A special fast-drying concrete was used in the foundation. Drywall, wiring, doors and windows, plaster and paint all went up in record time.

And when city building officials pronounced the house finished, it was complete to the last detail — right down to appliances and landscaping.

The race was organized by Woodhaven Developers of Riverside, Calif., and the winning time broke the previous world record of slightly more than seven hours set by a Florida developer last summer.

This 7-foot cop is used to walking tall

State Trooper Pendarvis Harrison is accustomed to getting looks even from motorists to whom he's just handed a speeding ticket. Not many people have the nerve to talk back to the 7-foot-tall, 320-pound Pensacola, Fla., highway patrolman.

Harrison gave up a career in basketball to take up law enforcement. The 31-year-old trooper knows the meaning of walking tall.

Remote town finally gets its own doc

Residents of a remote island who have to drive four hours to the nearest hospital finally have their own doctor and nurse.

The arrival of Dr. Warren Silverman and his wife, Jean, a registered nurse, has ended lifesaving medical care to the 485 people in Ocracoke in North Carolina's Outer Banks.

Townspeople who had been without a doctor for 40 years raised $18,000 to help build a clinic on the island. And they greeted the life-savers warmly.

"I wanted to be in a place where I wouldn't feel unhappy making house calls in the middle of the night," Dr. Silverman said. "I got tired of working in a big hospital. The people I treat here are not just my patients — they're my friends."

Your car can last 150,000 miles

If you think oil changes and tune-ups are expensive, take heart.

A properly maintained car will last 150,000 miles and merely trading almost your same will give it a 90,000-mile life, claims Tim Tierney, technical services director of the Automotive Parts and Accessories Assn.

Quick-thinking man prevents train crash

Quick-thinking bird watcher, Vic Perry, is credited with saving hundreds of lives when he peered through his binoculars and saw two trains hurtling toward a collapsing bridge support.

He ran onto the track and stopped the trains in Northampton, England, just in the nick of time.

Nonsmokers getting hotel just for them

People who don't puff will soon be able to check into a hotel just for them — the Non-Smokers' Inn.

The smoke-free accommodations are under construction in Dallas, Tex., but builder Lyndon Sanders has already named the idea in a non-smokers' wing in another hotel and he says it's the most popular wing in the house.

"My friends think I'm nuts," confessed Sanders.

Anyone who does light up will have more than their health to worry about. They'll owe the hotel $100 to clean the air, according to a contract they sign when they register.

Finance fly to rescue of stranded bird

It took a fire truck and a fire company to do it, but a frightened bird that couldn't fly was at last plucked from a tall tree.

The redfeathered Brazilian parrot had been using up his cage while on a camping trip with his owners when a sudden gust of wind blew him up.

He landed on the tree in Van Riper State Park in Champion, Mich., and stayed there until the next day when fire fighters braved a ladder, climbed the tree and hugged the bird.

Crippling disease threatens to end James Garner's 'Maverick' career

By KITTY MacNAB

A horrible disease is destroying the body of superstar James Garner and has put him in such agonizing pain that he may be forced to end his fabulous career.

The handsome 53-year-old star is so wracked with pain from arthritis that he can barely perform everyday movements without wincing in agony.

A concerned friend of the star told The NEWS:

"Just last week Jim told me: 'I know my performing career is deeply in trouble. It's becoming increasingly hard for me to perform. The future for my career looks very grim.'"

Garner's pain is so great that he told another friend in a tortured moment:

"My body is deteriorating rapidly. I can't stand being a prisoner of this body any longer."

The TV superstar already quit his popular series "Rockford Files" because of the run-down condition that show put him in.

After a year's rest — during which he hoped Jim recovered his strength, battled a severe depression in a standstill and reconciled with his wife — he decided to come back to TV in his famous role as Bret Maverick.

But nothing has been able to halt the raging arthritis which continues to ravage his body and threatens to turn him into a cripple.

To add to his woes, the exercise star broke some ribs in a freak accident on the set forcing a postponement of his new series and causing him even more pain.

"I was shocked when I saw Jim last week," said a Hollywood insider. "He has trouble walking, and now he's developed crippling arthritis in his hands that leaves his fingers stiff and twisted.

"It was so sad to see him. Simple chores like eating and drinking have become an ordeal for him.

"When he tried to lift his coffee cup, his hands shook and trembled with the strain."

Another friend who recently visited Garner at his home was shocked by the actor's state.

"It was heartbreaking to see this macho man so helpless," the friend said.

"Pain and agony were written all over his face as he battled to get up out of his chair . . . but he couldn't do it."

Through all this, the gallant star is bravely battling to keep from letting his fans down. In fact, it was his insistence on doing a show that led to his broken rib accident.

Over his producer's objections, Garner swung into the middle of a mechanical bucking horse for a racing scene.

Because of the arthritis in his hands, he couldn't grip the handhold tight and was hurled to the floor.

Now, production of the show has been halted until he feels strong enough to return. And the first episode of the series which was to be aired October 28, was pushed to early December.

But there are rumors that the star may never be fit enough to work on TV again.

"I don't know if he'll be able to continue the demanding role of Bret Maverick," said Garner's publicist Jerry Pam.

"If he can't handle it, he'll have to leave the show. I know that will upset a lot of his fans — and him as well."

'I can't stand being a prisoner of this body any longer . . .'

James Garner began his career in 1957 as Bret Maverick. A painful disease may end his career just as he resumes the role.

The new "Maverick" series was supposed to be easy work for James Garner, until he was thrown by a mechanical horse.

Expert tells how to prevent new ice age

A top scientist says a new ice age can be prevented by heating up the oceans.

Sir Fred Hoyle in his book "Ice" says that a new ice age could take hold of the Earth because the total amount of stored heat in the oceans is low.

The only way to prevent ice is to heat up the oceans and the only energy source large enough to do that is the sun. Normally the sun only heats the top layers of ocean water.

But Sir Fred of London, England, proposes the installation of huge pumps which would draw the cold water from the ocean's depths to the surface. He says it may take 2,000 years of pumping to build up an adequate amount of ocean heat.

An ice age is triggered by a collision between the Earth and a large meteorite which scatters a large cloud of dust into the air. The dust cloud lasts for about 10 years and plunges the Earth into a period of gloom by

Bird talk

Some people think bird talk is nonsense, but not 2-year-old Kirsten Ogilvie. Kirsten learned a lot

A granddaughter of Mussolini is top TV hostess

Sophia Loren is the sister-in-law of Mussolini's son.

Actress Alessandra Mussolini as she looks on TV.

Il Duce at the height of his power in 1936.

He died a fallen hero whose grab for glory drove him to ruin, but the Italian dictator Benito Mussolini's legacy lives on — in some of the biggest names in show business.

Stunning Sophia Loren is the sister-in-law of Il Duce's son, Romano. Benito Romano's not only married to the beautiful actress' sister — he's a popular jazz pianist in Italy.

Sophia's pretty sister, Maria Scicolone, is a well-known singer. And now another Mussolini has been guaranteed a name in the entertainment lineup.

She's gorgeous 18-year-old TV star Alessandra Mussolini, Benito's granddaughter and Sophia's niece, daughter of the jazz pianist father and singing mama.

She's currently wowing Italians as the stylishly new hostess on one of Italy's most popular TV shows.

Winter wonderland

Beautiful Swiss Alpine village is the most exclusive ski resort in the world

By MARTIN GALE

Mr. 007, Roger Moore, is the newest recruit to one of the most exclusive clubs in the world — the star-studded, millionaire jet-set of Gstaad, Switzerland.

Liz Taylor, David Niven, Julie Andrews, Audrey Hepburn, Sophia Loren, Richard Burton, Andy Williams and Lynne Frederick, widow of the late Peter Sellers, all head for this winter wonderland where they want to get away from the pressures of show business.

At the height of the ski season in this exclusive fairyland, the stars rub shoulders with the likes of Prince Rainier and Princess Grace of Monaco, Princess Marie-Astrid of Luxembourg, Gunther Sachs and Christina Onassis.

Roger Moore's new home in Gstaad cost him a cool $1 million — but he can certainly afford it.

He was paid about three times that amount to star in the latest Bond thriller.

Moore, 53, says that he and his Italian-born third wife, Luisa, want to be near their children who are at an exclusive boarding school in Switzerland.

When Moore first applied to join the plush Swiss set, officials objected to his application because he was a foreign non-resident. But he was granted a permit after he convinced them he had been a regular visitor to Gstaad for the last 14 years.

Elizabeth Taylor was given her first home in Gstaad as a [illegible] present by husband No. 4 Eddie Fisher. Now Liz, 48, takes husband No. 6, John Warner, 62, with her when she visits — usually with about half a dozen children from previous marriages. It is not unusual for Liz to be walking arm-in-arm along Gstaad's only real main street and to come face-to-face with another former husband — Richard Burton.

Welsh-born Burton frequent-

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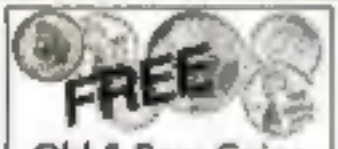
Roger Moore has just joined the jet-set of Gstaad.



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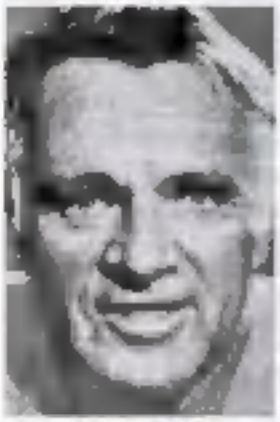

Richard Burton is a frequent winter visitor to Gstaad.

Princess Grace has a ski lodge in the Swiss playground.

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ly takes his leggy, blonde wife Susy, 31, the former wife of racing champion James Hunt, to Gstaad.

They like to ski, shop in the exclusive boutiques and swap show business gossip with the likes of actress Jane Anderson and her wealthy producer husband, Blake Edwards.

Newly widowed Lynne Frederick sought refuge at her chalet home in Gstaad after the death of husband Peter Sellers last summer.

She went there less than two weeks after her husband's death from a heart attack.

When she flew back to London the following month for Sellers' memorial service, she was given support and comfort by television celebrity David Frost, the man she has since married.

The oil-rich Christina Onassis went to Gstaad to relax and recover her spirits after the collapse of her marriage to Russian Sergei Kauzov.

There to help the recovery was lawyer and longtime pal Hubert Markard Pelissier.

And Princess Marie-Astrid of Luxembourg is very fond of Gstaad.

She went there after a very difficult year in her life when she was taped to become Prince Charles' bride and had spent 12 months working hard at a language school in England.

After the strain of religious differences — she is a devout Catholic — ended any marriage hopes, she unwound on the ski slopes with her family.

Prince Rainier and Princess Grace of Monaco often choose to spend part of the Christmas and New Year festivities at their sports lodge on the mountainside in Gstaad.

Another resident is multimillionaire and jet-setter Gunther Sachs. He has built a dozen places he can call home, but Gstaad is where he goes for his winter break.

His chalet, built in 1934, has been modernized and Sachs spent more than $200,000 installing an indoor swimming pool and sauna.

Just to be different, he furnished it with a flock of sixty-myrnas sheep.

At the height of the ski season, other stars to be seen strolling fur-coated around the village are singer Andy Williams and his children, Sophia Loren and her sons, and picture-hunting photographer Gina Lollobrigida.

Lovely Lynne Frederick when relaxing in the Swiss resort.

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Daring young people risk their lives to rescue others in danger

Pretty Maria Mahon holds the doll she carried as she woke neighbors.

'Naughty' 5-year-old braves an inferno to save neighbors

A brave little girl disobeyed her frightened mother and ran back into a burning building to wake a dozen people who would have died without her desperate cries of "Fire! Fire!"

Tiny heroine Maria Mahon, 5, ignored her mother's pleas as she raced through smoke and flames to rescue her favorite baby-sitter Lorrie Higgins asleep in the smoke-filled building.

She also thought of the other tenants, their lives in danger from the flames that were quickly engulfing the Albany, N.Y., apartment house.

The child ran up and down stairs pounding on doors and screaming, "Fire! Fire!", risking her life so her neighbors would have a chance to escape.

The blaze broke out on the first floor of the 3-story brick building in the early hours of the morning. Maria and her mother Jeanne woke to see flames licking at the walls of their bedroom.

"We ran from the apartment and I shoved Maria out the front door and told her to stay outside," Jeanne told The NEWS.

"But she said, 'I've got to wake the people upstairs.' I tried to grab her, but she had already gone. She said she had to wake Lorrie. I ran after her, but she disappeared back into the building. Someone grabbed me and I couldn't break loose to stop Maria."

The courageous little girl dashed both

By PAUL ROY

into the building as walls and stairways collapsed around her.

Outside her mother, still coughing from the smoke that filled her lungs, was becoming hysterical.

She turned and saw the third floor landing collapse.

"I was so scared," she said. "I was sure Maria had died and in that moment I wanted to die too."

In fact, Maria had narrowly escaped death.

She was lowered by grateful neighbors from the second floor of the building as the fire now raged out of control. Fireman Peter Mahon saw Maria reach the sidewalk and at first didn't realize the child was his niece.

"I saw this very pretty little girl and thought, 'The poor thing. She'll be homeless.' Then all of a sudden she was by my side and she said, 'Hi, Uncle Peter,'" Mahon, 36, recalled.

Meanwhile, Maria's mother had been taken to the hospital where she was treated for shock and smoke inhalation. It was three hours before she learned her daughter had survived the fire.

"Those were the worst three hours of my life," Jeanne said. "I thought of suicide. My world had ended and I wanted to die.

"Then Maria walked into the room and the world turned fine again."

As mother and daughter clung to each other, neighbors and firemen hailed the fearless first grader as a heroine.

"Without the little girl I'd be dead," one grateful neighbor told Jeanne later.

Boy tears off door to free man trapped in blazing car

A courageous 7th grader waded into a raging wall of fire to snatch a helpless grandfather from certain death in his burning car.

In a feat of superhuman strength, Joe Tiernan, 12, ripped the heavy car door from its hinges to free the trapped man from the burning wreckage.

"I don't know how I did it — I guess it was a miracle," young Joe told The NEWS.

"I didn't have time to think about it. A man was about to die and I was the only one around who could save him, so I just did what I had to do."

Joe made his death-defying rescue after a car driven by Edgar Holland, 62, careened out of control on an Indianapolis, Ind., street and slammed into a light pole.

The daring youngster, on his way to a part-time job at a church bingo game, heard the violent crash and ran in the direction.

"When I got there, the car was skidding and spinning in the road," Joe said. "It was mangled real bad and there were flames shooting out from everywhere."

Braving the fierce heat, the boy pressed close enough to see the driver lying dazed in the front seat.

"The man wasn't moving at all and his face was all bloody," Joe recalled. "I knew there was no way he could get out without some help — and the fire was getting bigger and bigger every second."

As the flames roared around him, the boy hesitated inexplicably to open the locked door.

When that failed, he drove his fist through the heavy, safety glass window and tried in vain to open the door from the inside.

"It was getting awful hot and I thought the car might explode and kill us both," Joe said.

So the 90-pound youngster summoned all his strength and gave the door a final desperate pull — and unbelievably yanked it right off its hinges.

"Nobody was more surprised than me," Joe said. "I was standing there

Joe Tiernan ripped a car door from its hinges to save trapped man.

when you have to do something, sometimes God is there to give you some help."

As the heat seared his skin, the gutsy youngster jumped into the inferno and pulled the driver to safety — moments before flames totally engulfed the twisted wreckage.

Edgar Holland, a mill worker and grandfather of six, was treated at a hospital and released.

"I don't remember a thing except waking up in the hospital," he said. "But I know I owe my life to that boy. There's no way I can ever repay him."

"There is no doubt the kid saved the man's life," said an Indianapolis police officer. "It was the kind of thing that makes you realize there are some fine kids in this world after all."

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Ace girl scout cookie seller stars in training film for top salesmen

By RICK DONOVAN

Smooth-talking Markita Andrews, America's champion girl scout cookie seller, is the star of a new Walt Disney film — teaching grown-ups how to be top salesmen!

The smiling 11-year-old New York tyke swept earlier this year sold a record-breaking 3,018 boxes of cookies in the Scouts annual cookie-selling drive.

When word of her incredible selling job reached the studio chiefs at Walt Disney Productions in Burbank, Calif., they knew Markita was the little girl they had been searching for.

She has just completed filming "The Cookie Kid," a Disney training film which allows Markita to display her selling skill to others just breaking into the field of selling.

"Markita instinctively used effectively many basic sales techniques," Duncan Murray, director of Disney's Training and Development Programs, told the NEWS. "Her quick wits and aptitude in the ingredients that makes for a good salesperson."

Proud Markita Andrews, 10, above, shows some of the 3,018 boxes of cookies she has sold, right. She sold the record number of boxes in just three weeks of hard work.

A slim, pretty brunette with irresistible charm, Markita is surprisingly poised and self-assured for her age. Her style combines a direct, but soft sell approach.

"I say, 'Hi, my name is Markita Andrews,' she said. "I'm selling girl scout cookies. Would you, like to buy some?"

Then I go from there. I tell them about the [illegible] they say 'no.' I'd say, 'Thank you, anyway. They're really [illegible]

Markita's mother, Linda Hayes, is very proud of her daughter's success.

"Markita is a very [illegible] girl," she said. "She has always been very [illegible] and she has always been very [illegible]

Markita's mother said of her daughter's success by banging out at the [illegible] of apartment building in the [illegible] side of Manhattan where she lives. Nine were already [illegible] by her aunt Meredith McSherry who took care of the money while [illegible]

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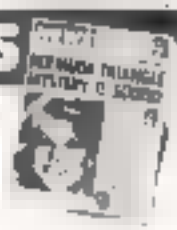

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Will Teddy Kennedy marry Prince Charles' old flame?

By KITTY McMAR

Speculation is running rampant that America's rotten senator, Ted Kennedy, will marry an old girl friend of England's Prince Charlie — sexy Helga Wagner.

And Helga, a 38-year-old Austrian beauty, was also the mystery lady Teddy sailed just hours after his car plunged off the famed Chappaquiddick bridge causing Mary Jo Kopechne to drown. He and Helga have been close chums for 15 years after meeting in London.

Through the years, gossips claimed that Teddy would leave his wife, Joan, for Helga's loving pharms.

Now, Teddy is in the throes of divorce and experts in he free early next year.

And because Helga is conveniently seeking to annul her short marriage to Texas millman Jack Needham.

Rumors told London columnist Nigel Dempster that the senator was miffed when he first learned of Helga's marriage to Needham last New Year's Eve.

Prince Charles was so taken by Helga a stunning beauty that he wooed her for an island vacation after spurning her at a gala ball in Florida in April of last year.

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Body beautiful Bo Derek has babies on her mind ever since she and her hubby John returned from a visit with his ex-wife Linda Anderson, and her infant son.

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Penny and Dick Ashleigh is getting a whopping $1.2 million in alimony [illegible] laugh in their throats. [illegible]

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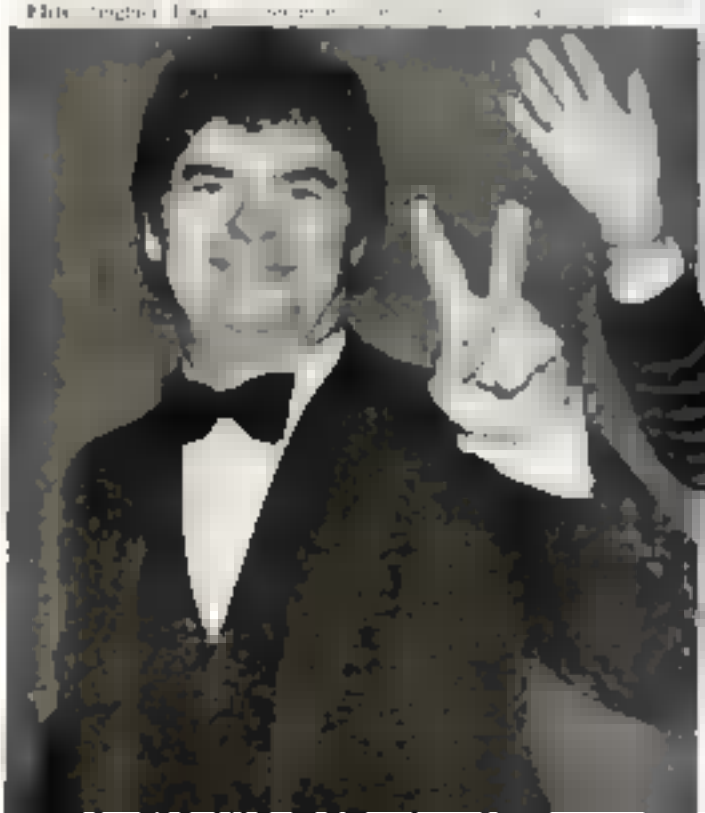
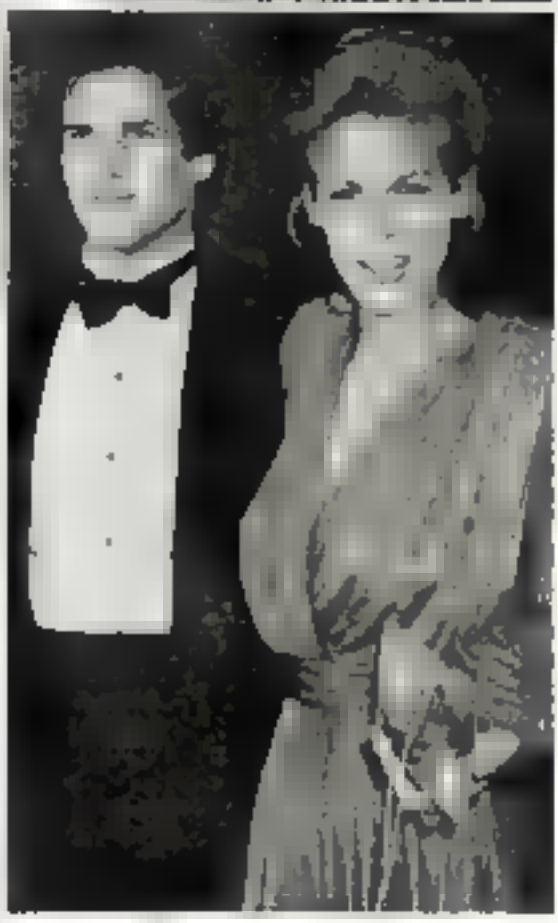


Friendly celebrities

Comic actor Frank Bonner, left, and model Cheryl Tiegs wear masks apart at Manhattan — but both had the same idea when they agreed the photographers Smile, more and act cheerful and charmed.

Comparing tailors

George Segal seems to be comparing tailors with his "Carbon Copy" costar and chess master Denzel Washington.



Premier lady

Headmaster Mark Berkman took James Leigh Curtis along to the premiere of his new movie, "Ruth and Fighting" in New York.

Olivia's beau

Olivia Newton-John and her boyfriend Matt Lattanzi on the town in New York.

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Gunner Arthur Pryor is dead — but his ghost still stalks his old [redacted] 2 bomber

Mystery of the haunted B-29

By JOE HAGEN

The brooding ghost of a former crewman haunts an old B-29 bomber, sending ripples of fear through hardened no-nonsense U. S. Air Force officers and enlisted men

The eerie feeling has been felt at least twice in the cockpit of the cavernous plane, and is shown clearly in an amazing — and as yet unexplained — photo taken by Sgt. Robert Blaze just as the ghost vanished.

During a blood-chilling session aboard the plane a psychic talked with the elusive spirit, who identified himself as a long-dead World War II gunner named Arthur Pryor.

"He said he was here guarding the ship. It was the weirdest thing I've ever seen," said an airman who attended the session.

Another officer described Pryor as a man in his early 30s, about 175 pounds, with sandy, thinning hair.

"This is no hoax — we can say that for sure," 2nd Lt. Doug DeWitt told The NEWS.

"We've checked the facts very carefully. Believe me, we're not going to embarrass the Air Force or ourselves over some prank."

DeWitt is curator of the desert air museum at California's Castle Air Force Base, where the mysterious plane is being kept under tight security.

"We don't like to admit it, but some of us are absolutely terrified of that ship," said another officer at the base.

"I didn't believe in ghosts before, but there's no other explanation for what's happening. A lot of us won't go around here at night — we're just plain scared."

On the occasions, DeWitt watched uneasily as a shadowy human figure moved about the cockpit of the plane in the dead of night.

"I've never believed in ghosts — never," DeWitt said. "But I know what I saw.

"I was outside the ship looking into the cockpit, and the figure was there blocking out my view into the dead section.

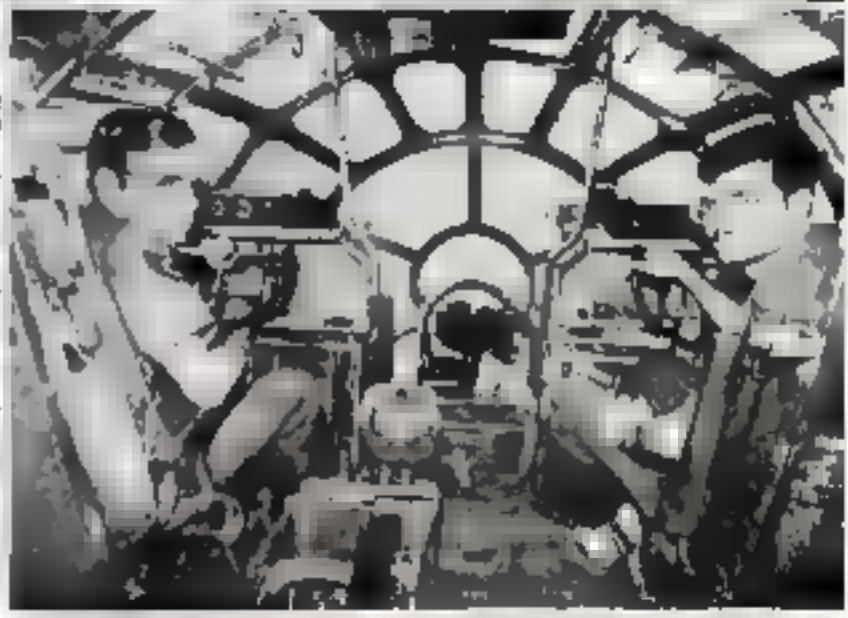
"I walked around so I could get a look at it from all angles to make sure I wasn't imagining things, and it was definitely there — I'm sure of it."

Each time when DeWitt approached the plane to investigate, the spectral apparition just simply vanished.

Air Force officers are studying a startling color slide shot by Sgt. Robert Blaze that shows the shadowy figure in the tail gun section.

"I've seen it and it's a picture of a ghost — there's no question about it," said an officer.

Incredibly, the ghost removes everything left in the pilot's seat and hurls it to other sections of the giant plane where the men's screams



Staff Sgt. Robert Blaze, left, and 2nd Lt. Doug DeWitt sit on the cockpit of the haunted B-29 bomber. The ghostly form of a dead gunner has been seen roaming about the plane at night.

had been agonized and dismayed that with no visible help.

"These things are so beyond your explanation," said Blaze, the sergeant said.

But everything that we couldn't see was opening and closing doors without much trouble.

Airmen have also felt the ghost's presence. Two of the men have seen the glass gunshield at work. Three of crewing members while they watched him flash the plane's lights through the aircraft had his power.

And even Major, the squadron's mascot dog, has had his run-in with the spook.

"He just won't go out there anymore," the thing anymore."

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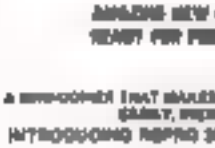

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Tragic teenager is saved from suicide and given a new life by . . .

Tough cop with a heart of gold

Teenager Mike Hartman stood on a sixth story rooftop ready to commit suicide because he thought no one cared about him, then he met someone who did — a big tough cop with a heart of gold.

The cop, Bill Fox, moved up his age and gave 17-year-old Mike the first real home he's ever known. Now Bill is adopting the lonely boy who never again will be allowed from one foster home to another.

President Reagan was so moved by the deed of the 6-foot, 240-pound policeman who rescued the tragic boy that he had an aide phone with heartfelt good wishes.

"The first thing you learn when you're a cop is never to bring your job home with you," Bill, a member of New York City's emergency services squad, told The NEWS. "You're not supposed to let these things affect you personally. But there was something special about this kid. He'd never known anything but revolts and hard knocks and I knew somebody had to give him a break."

By Gil Whittington

The touching story of friendship between a tough New York cop and the boy who had never been given a chance for a normal life began when Bill got a routine call about a suicide attempt.

He arrived at the scene to find a frightened crowd chanting, "Jump! Jump! Jump!"

On the window ledge stood the cop, his eyes reflecting the anguish of the tragic world he had known.

Bill, 32, and his partner, Gary Gorman, went up to the roof, but Mike wouldn't let them get close.

As the drama unfolded, Bill was so touched by Mike's story his heart went out to him.

"Nobody ever loved me," Mike said. "I never knew my mother. My father was an alcoholic who beat me. I was bounced from one foster home to another."

Just as Bill was about to tell him, "Surely someone cares," the crowd started yelling louder. "Jump! Jump!"

"It's the bastard at one and said. See, they don't care. No one has ever cared if I live or die."

I looked at him and said, I care. I'd be proud to have a son like you."

"You have," Bill continued. "I see a lot of suicide attempts, but most of them are kids who are screwed up on drugs or who have messed up their own lives. I could tell Mike was different from those kids."

"He wasn't on drugs. He hadn't committed any crime. All he wanted was to go to high school and get a diploma. He wanted to go to a prom. He wanted to know that somebody cared."

"We started talking about what subjects he liked and didn't like in school and what music he liked."

"We were up there an hour and a half before he let the girl close enough to grab him and pull him to safety."

The road that led Mike to the parapet edge was paved with kidnappings and disappointment.

Born in Memphis, Tenn., Mike had been abandoned by his mother.

[illegible] was an alcoholic and I didn't want to grow up and be a bum like him," he said.

He was bounced from one foster home to another and at one he remained with [illegible] who had committed crimes.

He fled to North Carolina, then Ohio and arrived in New York with $10 in his pocket. He spent his first night riding the subway.

Over the next few days, he washed dishes and slept in a $3.50 a night flophouse, surrounded by bums.

On the fourth night, lonely, confused and without that $10 peg curled, he gave up hope. But at the last moment he met the hire cop.

A judge in New York cut through the red tape to allow Bill Fox to take custody of Mike while the adoption papers are processed.

Now Mike has his own room in the large Staten Island home Bill shares with his mother. He's enrolled in the 11th grade. The Police Benevolent Association has started a trust fund for his education.

One brilliant idea to contribute to the crystal that urged Mike to jump that she went door to door collecting money for him and raised $600.

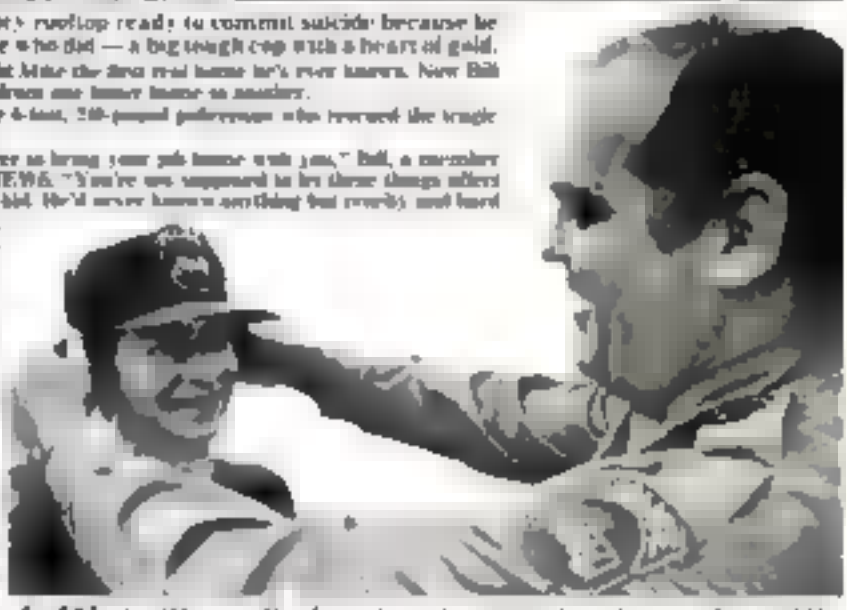
And Mike was barely settled in his new home — the first real home in his entire life — when the phone rang. It was the White House.

"Can you imagine, one of President Reagan's aides was calling me."

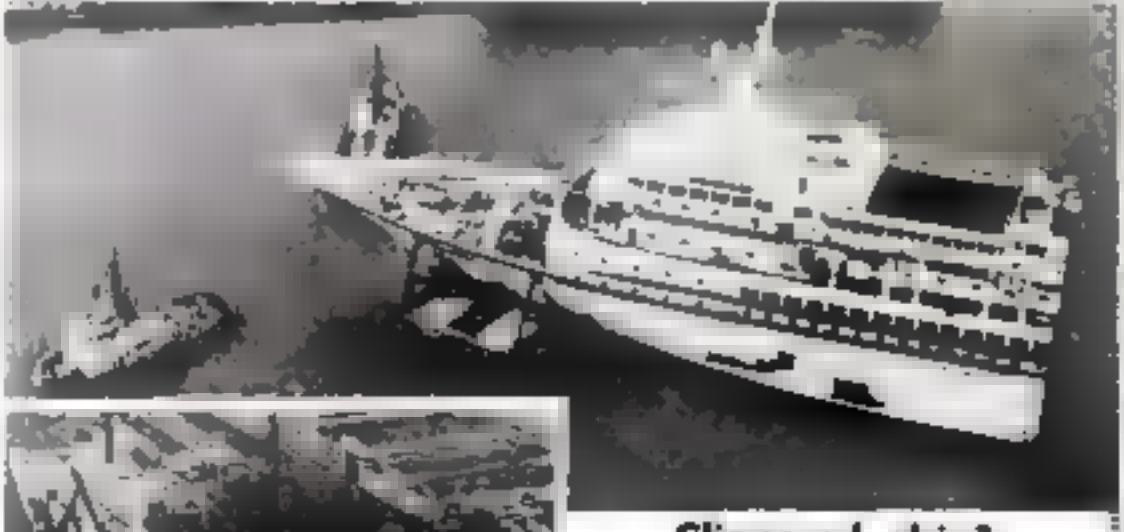
"But the best thing was meeting Bill.

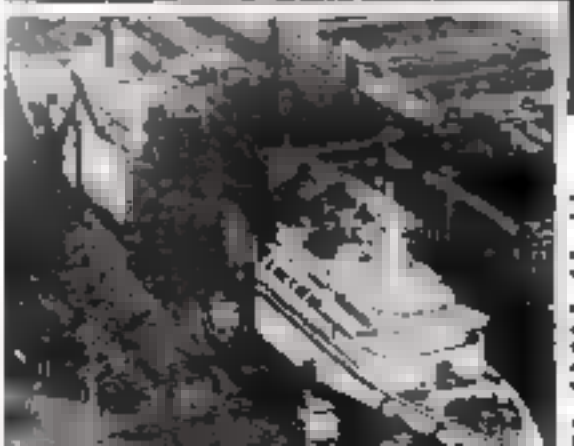
"Now I have someone to call Dad," said the lad.

And his laugh as "Dad" says it a great deal have someone to call "Him."



Cop Bill Fox lets Mike cry on his policeman's cop shoulder after rescuing the tragic teenager from a suicide attempt and taking him into his home. Now Mike, once hopeless, has the life he dreamed of.





Clippered ship?

It looks like the ocean liner, above, is sailing out on a fall-color cruise — but the clipped-off ship is just one stage in a novel idea of how to make a big ship bigger.

At left, workmen have cut the Royal Viking Star in half and are moving the front section out of the way so that a new center section — the size of a 10-story building — can be installed.

Before the sweeping operation, the Royal Viking Star — a Norwegian cruise ship — was 581 feet long. The new, enlarged ship will be 674 feet long. After the work is completed at the big Kemptenwerk, West Germany, shipyard, similar "stretching" operations will be performed on two more Royal Viking ships — the Sky and the Sea.

The ship-stretching project takes about three months, but each ship, but the owners say the results are worth it — and a lot less expensive than buying brand-new ships.

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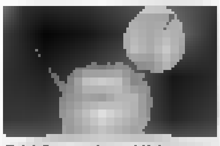

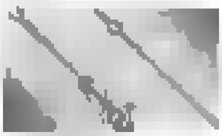

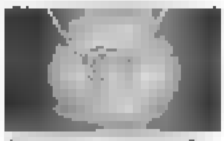

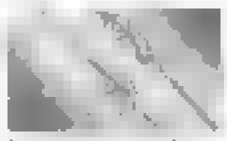

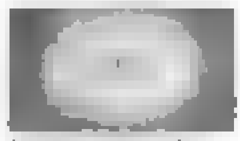

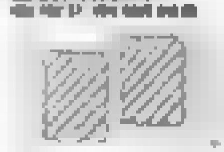

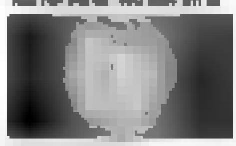

YES.

Crazed Bigfoot traps terrified teens in remote [redacted] cabin

Youngsters say the beast was trying to kill them

By DICK DONOVAN

Three teenagers endured [redacted] terrifying days trapped in a [redacted] cabin — waiting for death at the hands of a crazed and rampaging Bigfoot.

And although the three have returned [redacted] city of their encounter with the [redacted] ever.

It was Patty Graham, 16, [redacted] cabin one night they'd [redacted] would have killed us all. [redacted] Pulse Beat. The Bigfoot [redacted] would have smashed through [redacted] walls to get us. It kept getting bigger and bigger — and more violent."

The ghastly ordeal began [redacted] months after Patty, her [redacted] sister Kim and their cousin Dave Graham, 15, drove [redacted] their home in Lower [redacted] to spend a few days in Dave's family cabin north of Eugene, Ore.

"We unpacked our clothes and that evening went for a walk through the woods to a nearby pond," Patty said. "We were enjoying a really beautiful evening when suddenly we heard deep growls and groans.

Dave spoke a lot of time in the woods and I asked him, 'What animal makes that kind of sound?' He said, 'I don't know. I've never heard an animal like that.' We guessed it was a bear or wild hog and kept [redacted]

The teenagers went to bed and slept through that first night undisturbed. It was to be the only peaceful night they would enjoy.

The following morning, Kim awoke early and left the cabin to visit a stretch near the woods. After a few minutes she had the unexplainable sensation that someone — or something — was watching her. There she saw the Bigfoot.

"I watched the thing for about 10 minutes," she said. "At first, I thought it was an Indian because it stood so still. When it started coming toward me, I ran back to the cabin as fast as I could."

"Kim burst into the cabin all upset and crying," Patty recalled. "Dave thought she was crazy and told her to go back to bed. I really think she was in shock. She just sat there.

Later that morning, Patty had her first frightening encounter with the mysterious creature from the woods.

"The cabin is on A-frames with a deck that goes all around," Patty said. "Kim went out on the deck and then rushed back inside. She was crying and

Patty Graham ... "the beast was trying its best to kill us."

she said the creature was out there.

"We thought she was nuts, but I went outside for a look and there it was, staring up at me. I was terrified.

"It was big — about 7 feet tall and was [redacted] pounds. It had long, white hair and what looked like deep black holes for eyes. The hair wasn't shaggy. It was shiny and healthy looking.

When Dave went outside to see the creature for himself, it had already vanished into the woods. His meeting with the

Dave Graham with her cousins Dave and father, Bob Graham. The teens were trapped in a cabin by Bigfoot for nine days. Bob later visited the area and found huge footprints and white hairs.

[redacted] Dave [redacted] cabin. It became their prison for the next nine days as the frightened youngsters [redacted] campaign.

[redacted] Patty said. Finally, it settled up on the deck and remained [redacted] time. I don't know what it didn't break in. It could have got in — there was nothing to stop it. But it never tried to get in."

After two terrible days the beast left, said Patty. Kim and Dave used [redacted] to tell their incredible story to disbelieving parents.

My dad sent a friend back [redacted] to the cabin to look around," Patty said. "They didn't see the creature but they found a huge footprint and two long, white hairs. They also saw the damage the thing had done to the walls of the cabin.

Through the three grueling days and nights, the memory of those gruesome adventure kept [redacted] by fascination.

"We all have nightmares [redacted] Patty said. "My playpen will

Young Patty drew this picture of the rampaging Bigfoot.

"Are you sure these African visitors understand English?"

Rabid witch-hater suffers an eternal curse

By BOB ADDISON

The year was 1861, and 13-[redacted] had been hanged for witchcraft in Salem, Mass. It was a matter of concern to Colonel Bucks of Buckport, Maine, who felt that his own village should be as vigilant in rooting out witches.

He raised the question repeatedly at town hall meetings. And shortly the colonel's one-man crusade was having its impact.

There was a public accounting of a head and withered old lady who looked every inch a typical witch. Historians disagree as to her name and age, but one of them calls her Constance Ainsworth and is sure she was at least in her 90s.

Because of her obvious frailty, the old lady was not tried in criminal court, torture or pricking with needles to find the witch's mark.

But the crowds that surged into the courtroom knew her guilt had been predetermined by Colonel Bucks' fervent wit- ness within whispering distance of the magistrate.

And when whispers took the stand against her, without exception they looked to the colonel for approval.

One woman said she had heard the old woman muttering something that sounded just like gibberish. But when she finished, butter and her cats started bleeding. She knew it had been a curse.

A dozen others told much a story, garbled figure 19 feet tall — obviously the devil or one of his henchmen — standing in Constant's doorway.

The jury quickly returned a verdict of guilty.

Quoting the text, "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live," the judge denounced Comfort Adamswirth and sentenced her to hang next day.

No one was prepared for the scene that followed. Because she hadn't been permitted to testify in her own defense, people had assumed that the toothless old woman couldn't talk.

But now, before the bailiffs could stop her, she pointed to her head and uttered a long, flinging finger at the colonel.

"In all of my life," she screamed, "I have cursed no other being! But I am capable of laying a curse on you, sir, because you and your cronies have led me to the gallows!

"Then mark you this, and mark it well — when you go to your grave, which will be soon, I pledge you I shall leave the print of my paw on your gravestone! And the print, Colonel Bucks, will be there forever so that the world can never forget this day!"

A bailiff clapped his palm to her mouth and dragged her from the courtroom.

But her words had left the village unsettled, and there were few spectators when the hangman did unveiling. Even Colonel Bucks failed to appear.

When he died three months later from a "wasting disease," the colonel's wife found he had written a few promises into his will. His headstone must be of the finest flawless marble, "incapable of being stained or besmirched."

But in a few days she began very secretly negotiations by a certified cemetery worker. He took home a woman's footprint in the marble and no amount of sanding could remove it.

The bailiff swore a new stonecutter to absolute secrecy. Working in the dead of night, he cut a marker that was an absolute replica of the first.

Stealthily, the old stone was buried and the new one raised.

Ten days later, the bailiff saw crowds of gaped and frightened people moving in and out of the cemetery. Joining them, they found that the trick had failed.

The shape of an old woman's narrow stockinged foot was clearly visible in the new stone.

Publicly deploring the gravestone as an act of "grave-yard vandalism" — an explanation that convinced no one — the heirs had a mill owner costly headstone hauled to the cemetery. It was raised with the attempt at secrecy.

And, sorrowfully, the print of Comfort's tiny little foot once began to take shape in the stone.

The time has discouraged heirs made no effort to replace the marker. Nearly three centuries later it stands over Colonel Bucks' grave. [redacted] footprint still scarring its surface like a wound that will not heal.

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Big comet almost hit Earth in Biblical days

By CLIFF LINEBERGER

In 1940, while WWII was devastating all Europe and Asia, a Russian-born medical doctor and psychoanalyst who co-authored works with Albert Einstein, was in the United States studying great natural calamities of the past.

Ten years later Immanuel Velikovsky rocked the scientific world when he revealed the results of his studies, which he was convinced proved that global catastrophe overtook the Earth in Biblical times.

The planet Venus was the villain. According to Velikovsky, Venus is less than 4,000 years old and was a chunk of Jupiter sent careening into space by an explosion. Venus was an enormous out-of-control comet.

The comet made its closest orbit to Earth around 1500 B.C. and about 750 years later veered dangerously close to Mars. The near miss caused Mars to lurch toward the Earth and interfere with its orderly movement through the cosmos.

Both heavenly disturbances convulsed the Earth. Oceans emptied, continents were thrashed, mountains were created and destroyed, the Earth's orbit collapsed, and civilizations and peoples disappeared before the new planet, Venus, finally settled down.

Velikovsky outlined his theories in two books which later became best sellers in the 1950s, "Worlds in Collision," and "Ages in Chaos." The scientific establishment does not appreciate colleagues who upset the apple cart by challenging accepted beliefs, and understandably attacked him in the news media.

Velikovsky was barred from speaking at colleges and universities, and the publishing house that accepted his first manuscript was so upset by threats that they transferred the book to another company.

But Velikovsky fought valiantly for recognition. He insisted that his theories were valid as the bulk of mankind's history that were then being taught in the schools. He complained that history had been twisted and unfortunate events occurring in the past were inaccurately recorded as myth and legend.

People listened and began to believe him. But the most dramatic evidence in his favor emerged with the beginning of the space exploration program. Basing his ideas on ancient folklore about holes in sky pots, Velikovsky figured out that the clouds around Venus were rich in petroleum gas. His theories were verified.

Everything known about Venus indicated he was wrong, and they told figure probes how every planet he was right.

Velikovsky said that Venus' orbit eliminates extremely hot temperatures and makes it very cold. Researchers report that they have known for years that Venus is very cold. But the space program proved that Venus had a surface temperature of about 900 degrees Fahrenheit.

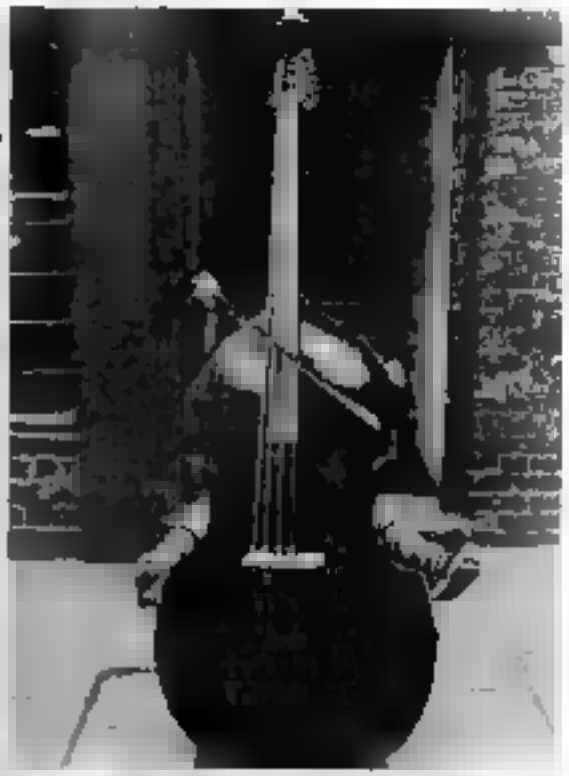
Velikovsky has begun to believe that a great natural catastrophe occurred at the time Moses led the Exodus from Egypt. According to Biblical accounts the Red Sea parted, terrible plagues devastated the land, the Sinai erupted and a pillar of cloud and fire moved in the sky.

The scientist was curious to know if any Egyptian records of similar catastrophes existed. He found two accounts on papyrus stored in Holland.

The papyrus told the story of Exodus from an Egyptian perspective.

Thirty years ago scientists were debating (remember Velikovsky, Genesis or not?). It appears that the American space exploration program has validated the scientist — at least Velikovsky's Venus.

THIS MYSTERIOUS WORLD



Fiddling around

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■ More than 40 miles of a busy interstate highway will become unusable when the government scrambles to dash other several UFO reports in the area.

■ A major power outage will strike New York City during the Christmas-New Year's holidays.

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Gov't worker says his job is so easy he wants a pay cut

By JIM FARRAGUT

County official Earl C. Henwood made his office run so efficiently that his job became easier — and he asked for a 20 percent cut in pay.

Henwood, clerk of the Union County Board of Freeholders, in New Jersey, said the board has decreased the difficulty of his job so the post where he thinks it deserves his $15,200 salary.

"The job is a political appointment — a patronage job," Henwood told The NEWS. "The responsibility hasn't increased but the salary has doubled over the past 10 years.

"Every time there was a change in the board's power structure, the majority would appoint a new clerk and they'd like the salary — to keep up with inflation for each other."

Henwood is the owner of a major printing plant.

"Union County has a county manager form of government and I act as the secretary of a county clerk," Henwood said. "It's a unique job. You have to be a little bookman and a politician.

"But to get $15,200 a year for a job that requires only 20 to 30 hours a week is just plain crazy. When I accepted the appointment, I did it with the understanding that I was going to give tax payers money."

The 54 year old civil-rights advocate announced at a Republican caucus that he is quitting because I don't like politics" and he wants to change things.

"I realize my salary cut is a mere drop in the bucket," he added. "But I am sure to laugh hardest at the taxes I have to pay and every penny saved is important.

"But I'm a businessman. I wouldn't dream of ever paying a job someone is paying more than the job is worth. I'd go bankrupt. But over the past 10 years we've had five different clerks of the board and each time the salary was raised. That's sheer insanity and certainly no way to run government.

Although the people of Union County are elated with Henwood's decision not to increase their taxes, a few of the county's political bigwigs aren't very happy with the prospect of paycuts for their workers.

They think I'm crazy," Henwood said with a chuckle. "But the truth is they're unhappy because of all the attention I've received on them.

The nine-member Board of Freeholders has yet to act on Henwood's request for a pay cut. But he's certain the board will approve.

"And when they do I bet a few more like us in the back of city hall that will save even more taxpayer dollars in the long run."

Clerk Earl Henwood plans his unique request for a salary cut because he said it was easy.

Granny was ready to die blind — but now she can see

By ROSE GRADY

The miracle of microsurgery has returned to aging Ethel Pleasant a cherished possession she lost 21 years ago — her sight.

The 81-year-old, poverty-stricken recluse underwent the incredibly delicate eye surgery through a remarkable "Sight for Sight" program in Polk County, Tex.

"The dear old lady — we call her Granny — said her father died blind and she was going to die blind, too," Granny Ann Vaughan told The NEWS.

"But in and behold, she can see as well now that she never even need glasses. Old Granny is thrilled like a little kitten!"

Vaughan is area coordinator for the Economic Opportunities Advancement Corp. (EOAC) office in Polk County where the amazing program was established. Granny lives in Marlin, the county seat.

And for Granny Pleasant, who survived decades as a prisoner of poverty and nightmare fear — her restored sight is a sacred gift from God.

Oh, amazing grace! How sweet it is," the grateful old woman said, tapping her Bible for words to describe her new view of life. "I was blind but now I see."

Years ago, last May through 31 years ago, Granny had gone to bed her battered, rundown wooden shack with its windows nailed down and the doors boarded with plywood.

The poor old woman lay there a victim of rubbers hugs the [illegible] when a Negro [illegible] who was [illegible] her.

She hadn't been to a doctor in 30 years and was scared to death when strangers came to her house, Vaughan said.

We convinced her she was eligible to have her sight restored through EOAC funding. The getting her to have an eye examination was half the battle."

But with patience and understanding, Vaughan and her staff were finally able to give Granny a confidence and trust.

Gradually, amidst the roar of three loads to Scott and White [illegible] in search of [illegible] Granny's sight was restored.

Then, with a philanthropic gift [illegible] removed cataracts from both her eyes.

The biggest problem now is just getting her to take it easy," Vaughan said. "It's like she's trying to learn 21 years of lost time all at once."

We're letting her work in her garden, but when we drove up and the poor old soul saw [illegible] young friend I had to drag the hoe."

But the help on Granny's roses Vaughan prides herself on finding her long lost daughter who moved away from home as a teenager. Granny's other [illegible] children died as infants.

Big payoff

Deborah Hall got a big surprise when she went to the automatic teller at the First Interstate Bank of Phoenix, Ariz., and tried to withdraw $40. Here her amazed interest, the yearly machine spewed out $3,140! Deborah, an honest citizen, turned in the loot to the bank. The bank bosses pay the big payoff was the first one [illegible] Deborah [illegible]

MY AMERICA

By ED ANGER

TV insults great American cowboy heroes

I usually leave TV up to my pal Ben Wenken, our NEWS writer, but this new, so-called western show on the box tube has gotten me madder than a duck [illegible] hatched into a sparrow.

In case you haven't seen it, the show we allude "Best of the West" and these dumbbells at ABC have the nerve to push it up as prime viewing time, the big payday.

It puts John Wayne, Gene Autry, Hopalong Cassidy and Roy Rogers [illegible] to be a [illegible] Wenken. But what I really dare to destroy the image of the true American — the cowboy.

The cowboy wouldn't be a wrong, low thinking man who is loyal to his friends, polite to soldiers, kind to animals and willing to risk his life in what's right.

The one of the most things the cowboy is what America is all about. And you know that "Bonanza" was a super hit on Japanese TV.

But this new series makes those heroes look like whipped cur coyotes. Both the lumbering hideous [illegible] of Wenken's [illegible] are always [illegible].

The scriptwriter there didn't [illegible] the show. "The Three Stooges Go West."

The only difference between the good guys and the bad guys on "Best of the West" is that the bad guys get bigger laughs from the studio [illegible] audience.

The worst thing that this show does is steal the image of the cowboy hero we [illegible].

Wenken should run out and [illegible] the pale [illegible] with [illegible] and stumbling [illegible] the evil in the world.

This show [illegible] to be [illegible] and [illegible] all of our [illegible].

If I didn't know better, I'd think the show was a [illegible] plot to undermine the spirit of America's youth by destroying their hero — the cowboy.

But it's just another example of the type of show these days studio bigwigs think Americans want to see.

In this case, the only way we can fix it will be called "The Cancel" and we please a group of [illegible] Congress who [illegible] up a Watergate type [illegible] gang.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

The world's most baffling UFO stories

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By RONALD D. STORY

A routine Army helicopter flight became an unforgettable close encounter in the skies. At a height of 1,500 feet, four Army aviators suddenly found they were on a frightening collision course with a speeding UFO that stopped dead in front of them.

The young pilot who was flying the chopper vowed that he would [illegible] the pull of the large [illegible]

[illegible] Coyne said later. "It was like the hull of a dark submarine. It just stopped and I mean stopped, for maybe three to five seconds."

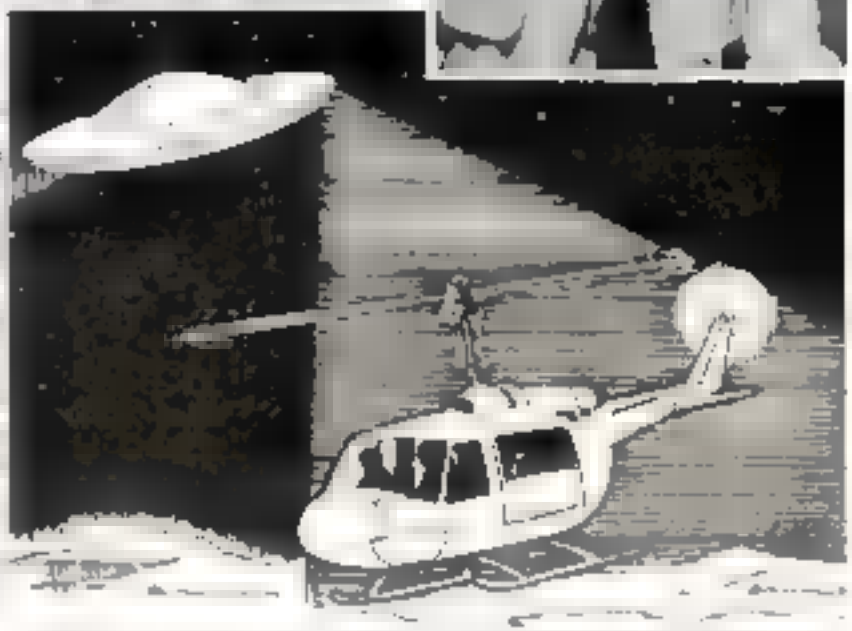
"I really didn't expect us to collide because the object was obviously in control of the situation. The edges were sharp — it had an exceedingly bright, starry night and the solid part of it blotted out the stars right behind it in an oval shape."

The red light which they had identified earlier could now be seen clearly — it was the nose of the domed cylinder. At the back was a white light and under that, a green light.

Everything in the cockpit turned green — the stream of green light from the hovering craft above was so strong.

The magnetic compass of the helicopter spun wildly, and as Coyne struggled to bring the chopper lower, it suddenly climbed 1,000 feet a minute — a rate of climb he couldn't control.

"The helicopter seemed to [illegible]



Virginia Resnick © Story, top, interviewed the four Army aviators who had a frightening brush with a UFO. An artist's impression of the incident, above, is based on their story.

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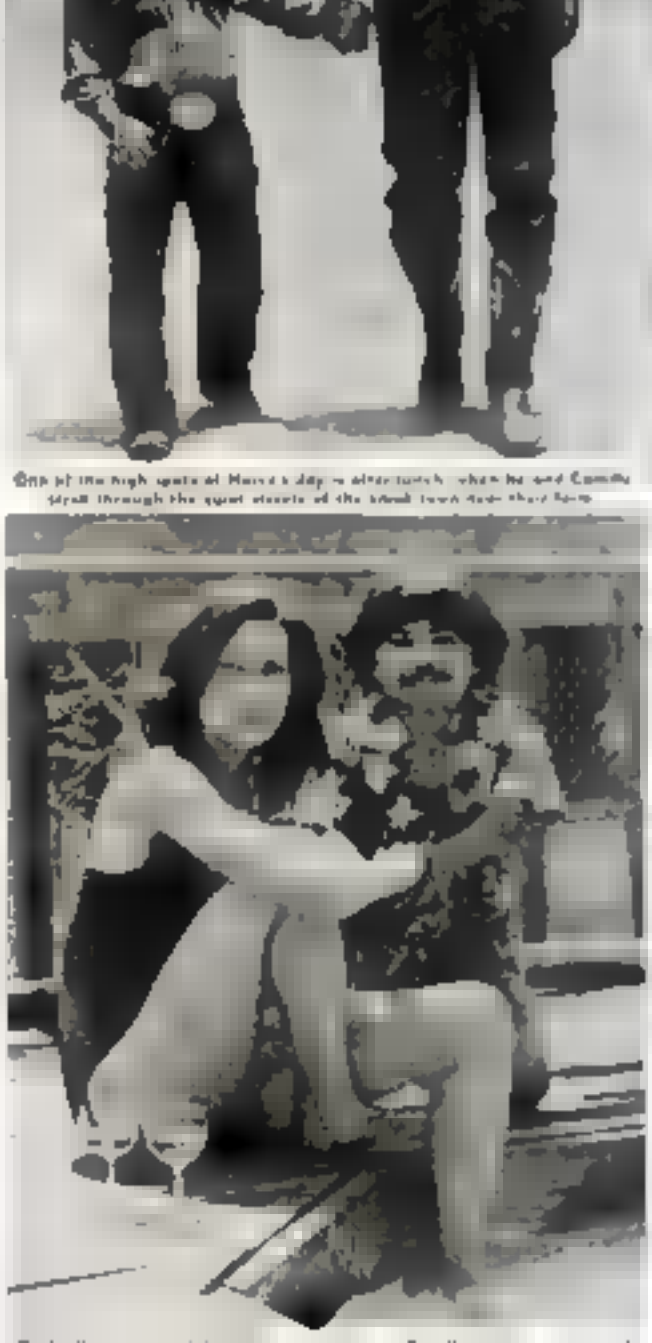

arm with Herve

Young friends Herve have good food and he's an accomplished chef who's very much at home in the kitchen. Or right he makes friends with a turnip

Tragic little girl suffers ■ ravenous killer appetite

A little girl with a tragic birth defect must suffer the agony of never ceasing hunger — or die from an appetite gone mad.

By JOE BERGER

Catherine Scribbins devoted all the love a mother could give to her daughter Beth, but she was helpless to stop the little girl from eating herself to death.

Beth suffers from a rare disease called Prader-Willi Syndrome, which makes her constantly hungry.

Unless she is watched every hour of every day, doctors say, she will eat until she bursts her stomach and dies.

Catherine's body just does not tell her when she's had enough to eat," said Dr Dorothy Bennett, the specialist who diagnosed the child's mysterious disease.

"Food is the enemy that could destroy her."

Beth and Lynnette's stepfather Henry Brunet are reunited by the overseas visit of the boy scouts with the twin sisters Lynnette and Beth — and the girls' hidden problem.

Beth is also small for her age, weighing only 5st 7lb at the age of 8.

Catherine, who is 28, said: "Beth is a wonderful little girl and I love her very much. She's always smiling and happy, she loves to be the life and soul of the party.

"But it is very hard to watch her suffering from hunger pains and not be able to help her.

"I remember the night she died. I was up until she went to bed at 10 o'clock, and she was fine. I went up to bed and the next morning I found her dead."

Beth also has several types of irritating fault, the toddler suffers devastating a whopping appetite.

At first I was overjoyed," Beth said.

"Then I realised she was putting on weight [illegible] weight instead - so I knew that it was wrong.

It was then that Dr Dunbar diagnosed Lynnette's disorder as the rare mysterious Prader-Willi Syndrome - a disease with an appetite range and no known cure.

This kitty is a real cat burglar

Miss Susie — a wonder cat — caught in the act of committing a real cat burglary.

The kitty's owner Carole Mather of Southend, Essex England says Susie seemed to be an ordinary 9-lb moggie when she was a kitten.

Then Carole started noticing bits of the dinner in the kitchen being mysteriously opened overnight. Next she discovered that outside doors that were closed were found open.

Finally, Susie was caught in the act in the act in the act by the cameras. She drops on the door handle and bangs on the door. She might, at the door [illegible].

Carole says Susie's door opening stunts [illegible]

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ASK MR. SHOWBIZ

Farrah's diet secret is simple — eat lightly

Q. Does Farrah Fawcett have a special diet that keeps her so slim? — Elaine Watson, Hampton, Tex.

A. Gorgeous Farrah combines lots of exercise with careful eating habits to keep herself slender and full of energy. Every day she jogs several miles, does sit ups and lifts to fit in other bodies of her schedule permits. The famed beauty eats sparingly. Also, eats a half of a cantaloupe with [illegible] — Mike Heller, Clinton, Ill.

A. Just like ordinary women, [illegible]

When producers suggested hiring the tallest basketball player around to star in a film about [illegible]

Many of Robin's crazy antics are bits he picked up from watching Jonathan Winters. Cosby, Burt Reynolds and Johnny Carson also are favorites of Robin's.

Jonathan Winters is Mork's hero

Q. In Robin Williams' picture, we hear that the so-called crazy Jonathan Winters is [illegible]

Sarah Bernhardt

Bess Hogg is no hillbilly

Q. Is the actor who plays Bess Hogg on "Dukes of Hazzard" a hick in real life? — Angela Pierson, St. Louis, Mo.

A. Sorrell Booke, who plays Boss is one of Hollywood's most talented actors. A New Yorker, he graduated from the Yale University drama school and appeared on Broadway in more than 40 plays.

Tragedy wrecked singer's career

Q. Whatever happened to that sweet-voiced singer I used to see on the old program "Where the Boys Are"? — Blackwell Hughes, Philadelphia, Pa.

A. Connie [illegible] was only [illegible] when she appeared on the show. She went on to record a number of hits, including "Where the Boys Are," which sold more than a million copies. But she was so traumatized when [illegible] that she found it difficult to [illegible] Her representatives have [illegible]

Connie Francis

[illegible] Questions of general interest will be answered in this column. Letters cannot be [illegible]

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Linda Gray's special diet keeps her sexy and supercharged with energy

By KITTY Marshall

Gorgeous Linda Gray of "Dallas" created her own special diet which keeps her supercharged with energy and glowing with sex appeal.

Incredibly, the [illegible] kept her two children free of [illegible] and it's even cured her husband Ed of a serious stomach ailment.

Linda started the diet [illegible] years ago.

[illegible] stomach problems [illegible] years ago [illegible] specialists [illegible] ulcers.

[illegible] suffering a lot from [illegible]-style [illegible].

"He started eating differently by following the nutritional plan of Adelle Davis - author of numerous books - [illegible] years ago [illegible] the 20 years [illegible] Ed's [illegible] anybody in healthier than [illegible] don't have colds anymore.

"My husband Ed had a nervous stomach caused by stress. The doctor said he'd have to take these little white pills for the rest of his life. I thought [illegible]

Inevitably, Linda's diet virtually cured her husband of his [illegible]-induced stomach illness.

"Ed quickly went off the white pills and hasn't taken one since," said Linda.

Linda's diet is simple and easy to follow.

"We have changed and eliminated things from our diet like white sugar, white flour, white rice, margarine, coffee and tea.

"We're not vegetarians. We eat fish and poultry, but we don't eat meat. We eat lots of vegetables.

"It's quite all the difference in our health and sleep.

Besides the right foods, Linda also takes vitamins - 48 of them each day - and she exercises.

"The result is that she is full of energy and stays still raring to go after a hard 18 hours before the cameras.

"I'm sure it's possible that you shouldn't have to do something to get so taking care of your body," she said. "There's a positive alternative.

"I have a workout which is half ballet and tropic up that way.

"I do my calisthenics plan in my own way. The way that I have found works best for me and my family.

"It really seems like the whole key to everything is finding what's good for you.

"If you have to drink soup, then you give up something else to adjust the ratio.

"And if you can't skip rope, jump rope.

"I've just been making the glue work for me. That's the key — finding that good balance."

Linda stays trim and alert on the [illegible] set each day by eating piles of small quantities different foods that she brings from home.

"I took a little bar-type refrigerator to work. It's great. I can have an apple and a piece of cheese.

"My lunch treat is half of a banana split lengthwise and spread with peanut butter.

"I also get into the habit of steaming a lot of vegetables and I'd put them in little Tupperware containers and take them to work.

"I ate vegetables all day long, but they weren't heavy duty or fattening. The little bits of food throughout the day has really helped keep my energy at peak level."

One thing Linda doesn't do is get too strict with herself. If a diet becomes too demanding and no fun, you're likely to give it up.

"I will give in to my cravings," she said. "If I want a Snickers candy bar and a glass of vodka at night, I'll go for it. But 80 percent of the time, I am so strange and I take care of myself."

Linda Gray's family health problems vanished when she started her bread on a nutritionally sound diet. Husband Ed, left, was cured of a stomach problem. And son Jed, 17, and daughter Kelly, 13, right, are growing with health and vitality.

TV NEWS: Johnny Carson bombs in Britain

American talk show gold mine boy, Johnny Carson, landed in his first attempt to become the king of British TV.

After weeks of pre-show publicity in English newspapers, Johnny began his 12-week stint before British viewers. To make sure that he was at his best, Johnny's first program was a tape of his 16th anniversary show — a 90-minute special of the best clips and gags picked from the past.

Instead of laughter, spotty British critics sneered.

Only two of the nearly two dozen top papers in Britain bothered to give the show a mention — and both reviews slapped Johnny in the face.

"I don't know what the rest of you were watching, but you should be grateful," said the TV critic for the Daily Telegraph who barely mentioned Johnny at the end of his review.

The fussy London Times, the only paper to give Johnny a full review, ran this headline over its article:

Johnny Carson is by the dogs, and British TV critics over the debut of the talk show king's program on English TV. Johnny packed his best show and it still flopped.

Hecker, summed up his feelings about Johnny by pointing to the lie in the program when [illegible] play with. The furry animal crawled up on top of Johnny's head and wet.

[illegible] being there over the accident. But Hecker wrote: "I thought the entertainment had a sharp [illegible]

News TVIews | **Critic Rex Winston calls it like he sees it . . .**

Gabe Kaplan's new comedy series is like garbage — they both smell

By REX WINSTON

Five years ago, I was more than willing to "Welcome Back, Kotter."

But that was 1975, and the "Jump out!" sign is up for Gabe Kaplan and his ancient jokes.

Kaplan's jokes are so old that George Burns could have told them. Curse to think of it, George did tell them.

Kaplan stole George's act, right down to the cigar.

Crummy Kaplan's new show for NBC is called "Lewis And Clark," and you don't have to be an explorer to discover that in minutes. Actually, this loser wasn't supposed to be on until next year. I'm told, but NBC found its garbage bucket empty and hurried up "Lewis And Clark" for this season.

But trash is still trash, no matter how fresh it is.

Just so you don't have to waste a half-hour by tuning in, here's the story of "Lewis And Clark."

Kaplan plays this rich New Yorker who gives up his life to

Gabe Kaplan's jokes are so laughless another

the Big Apple and buys a broken down old honky tonk bar in Lackawanna, Texas. Kaplan's wife and kids don't want to give up city life, but they give in.

Boy, is this awfully stupid.

The best part of the Texas gig prior to Clyde Kotch, who has the most fitting last name in TV history, doesn't understand Kaplan. Kaplan doesn't understand Clyde Kotch. I don't understand the show, but we're supposed to laugh at these two idiots as they bumble on the screen.

NBC is once again showing the incompetence that pushes it to the worst record network on TV.

Sometimes I feel a tinge of sadness in my heart when I put the whammy on a new show. Give all those people employed using and hard to get. Give show on the air. For the most part, I'm friends with errors.

But not on this one. I've known Kaplan for years, ever since he was a fresh comic playing trendy nightclubs. I told him to stop stealing material from other performers, but he never listened.

He thought I was just another idiot critic trying to have fun with the pot of gold. Well, he may look you everything, Mr. Kaplan.

You didn't deserve the little success you had with Kotter. The American public won't get fooled again. Your run is over.

21 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

'The Deputy' Nov. 3, 1960 9 p.m.

Henry Fonda

Playgirl's *Episode Outlines* tabloid: Fred McCord must force his brother Clay to agree to help them rob a mine payroll. Chief Marshal Simon Fry suspects that Clay will go through with the deal to save his father's life.

"The Deputy" was another sin. On the other side there was the young marksman Clay McCord, played by Allen Case. Although McCord was a pure shot with guns, he found it to draw his six-shooter.

Fonda hated it. All the shows, but only appeared in about half. He used the time off to make movies in Hollywood. But audiences weren't satisfied with a part-time star and turned off the show.

NBC turned it off for good in 1961, after less than 1 year.

. . . Now, it's your turn

TV's a real bore thanks to Rev. Falwell and networks

In looking over the new TV season I find that we are going to be bored to death. The programs shouldn't be taken out and tarred and feathered right along with those so-called religious dribs like Jerry Falwell, who think that they can impose their thinking of what's good TV viewing on others.

I for one will not have anyone telling me what I can or cannot watch.

If I find a program not suitable, I use the old standard switch or I just shut the TV off altogether.

Lawrence J. Jean,
Beulah, N. Dak.

The telly is smelly

TV stinks! I look for good shows and I never see them on television.

So I get cable and that stinks, too.

It has other sports or filthy sex and crime. None of it is fit to watch.

I am not against sex personally, but television has it to every scene.

I'd like to see the networks show some intelligence and start broadcasting more movies — ones that will build your

Readers: Here's your opportunity to sound off about TV. Just send your remarks to "It's Your Turn," Weekly World News, 600 S. East Coast Ave., Lombard, Fla. 32950.

He loves Malone

I'm a big fan of Melissa Sue Anderson on "Little House on the Prairie." I think she's a terrific actress and I'm enjoyed watching all her parts so far.

I love reading articles and collecting as many pictures of her as possible.

I really admire her not just because she's an actress but also for her as a person that is why matters.

Greg Garret
Williamsburg, IA

Laugh track blues

To me the most miserable thing on TV is that horrible fake laugh machine. It just spoils the whole show.

I am perfectly capable of doing my own laughing and would like to be able to pick and choose when I think something is funny.

L. Schiavone
Rockaway, Oreg.

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Teen suicides are an epidemic

By DICK DONOVAN

A deadly epidemic of teenage suicide is sweeping America like a kamikaze wind, leaving death, tragedy, and heartbreak in its wake.

Grim estimates reveal that as many as thousands of America's teenagers attempt suicide every day.

And each day 18 of those desperate attempts are successful, putting the annual suicide toll of American teens' lives at a shocking 4,000.

And incredibly experts say the situation will get worse before it gets better.

"On a national level, teenage suicide is epidemic," said Barbara Wheeler of Omaha, Nebraska counseling suicide expert.

"Unless we face up to that realization, more youngsters are going to attempt suicide — and more and more of them are going to succeed.

"Suicide is already about the second biggest killer of adolescents in this country," she told The NEWS. "And it involves kids whose grades are fine and those who — on the surface — seem to be having a good time.

Mrs. Wheeler has studied suicide prevention for 14 years and currently is the mental health director for Bergan Mercy Hospital in Omaha. Her work also brings her in close contact with students in the city's school system.

"The big problem today has to do with the fact that kids now have so many opportunities in life that they have a real problem with identity," she said. "They have a problem identifying who they are.

"And they have a serious problem with time. For teens today, everything is forever and right now. It's hard for them to realize the permanence of the act — that once you're dead, you are dead."

Expert Barbara Wheeler says teen suicides are increasing.

Research has shown that most young suicides occur at night, probably because darkness carries deeper, more unfathomable fears. Many researchers believe a teenager kills himself because he wants to never wake up — that the opposite act is their way of signaling they want help.

Many teenagers use attempted suicide as a way to get attention, said Mrs. Wheeler, a 40-year-old mother of four.

But they're really crying wolf and that could turn them into killing themselves.

Anger or keep the attention they want. That's when they feel they have proved themselves into a position of the center. They almost have to kill themselves.

A look at the incredibly unusual suicide toll shows that the suicide rate among teenage males is four times that of teenage females.

"But women attempt suicide more often than males," Mrs. Wheeler said. And men are more successful. They tend to use guns or other methods that are more quick and positive.

Reasons used to explain accidents also apply to suicide. And women tend to change their minds.

Many youngsters turn to suicide as the only means of escape from the distressing pressures and tensions of society and family. They can't cope and for them there is only one solution.

Step the world. I want to get off."

The most distressing part of the tragedy, said Russell Sullivan, a psychologist consultant in the public schools of Lower Merion Township near Philadelphia, Pa., is that a lot of kids good grades aren't enough. They have to be the best. Otherwise they won't all make it. They are made to feel dumb even though they aren't."

Mrs. Wheeler, who has talked with many young potential suicide victims, agreed.

"For many of them, it's a story I hear often. They expect me to be like — I don't want me to be like. It boils down to a communications problem and a lack of communication is a major factor in many teenage suicides.

Because Mrs. Wheeler believes that family and friends can play a major role in preventing teenage suicides, she described a series of indicators which she said will help spot a potential suicide victim before it's too late to help.

● Changes in the biggest warning signal. Any change in appearance, personality, attitude, a drop in grades or withdrawal.

● Giving cherished possessions away, such as jewelry, clothing, stereo or skiing equipment or stereo records.

● A sudden identification with God, death or a morbid fascination of a dead relative. Any sudden interest in death.

"If any of these or other indicators are observed, it's vital that a parent talk it out with the person suicide also said.

"And don't worry about interfering in their personal problems. It's okay. It's a good time to intervene.

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A jury in Mt. Clemens, Mich., freed Joseph Dudinski after his lawyer, Ronald Goldstein, described him as "stupid," a "wimp" and a "milquetoast."

Dudinski was kicked out of his house by his wife Antoinette, and when he returned with a pistol they had a fight and he shot her in the back.

Dudinski was convicted of attempted murder in the shooting, but Circuit Judge Antoni Peter Kolenda ruled that the jury's verdict was against the weight of the evidence.

Kolenda said Dudinski was "the victim of a domineering wife who wore the pants in the family." The incident took place in Harrison Township.

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It will be marketed in the United States by Marion Laboratories under the trade name Carafate. Approval for general use is expected within weeks from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The drug is the first in the arsenal of treatments for peptic ulcer that heals the ulcer without side effects.

"Carafate is a local action drug, a totally [illegible] type of [illegible]," explained Irving Shapiro of the National Institute of Arthritis, Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases.

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"It is a major breakthrough because it treats only the ulcer site and leaves the rest of the body alone," he continued. "It acts as a protective barrier over the ulcer so the ulcer can heal without irritation and the stomach and [illegible] can still perform their digestive function."

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"People don't realize I may now have to run the bell to announce the meals!" exclaimed Adele.

Pretty doctor quits medicine for news job

By IRVING PAUL

Pretty Leslie Morrow had worked long and hard to become a doctor — then quit the high paying, prestigious profession to be a television news reporter.

The reason: A doctor's life is dull, depressing and demanding.

Leslie, 31, says she grew up hearing that she would become a doctor. The bright youngster graduated from high school at age 16 — and by the time she was 23 she was a practicing physician.

She says she was simply following family tradition.

"Most of my family — the men anyway — are doctors. I wanted to show them that a woman could do it," she said.

Leslie became an ear, nose and throat specialist and she practiced her medical career in Beverly Hills, Calif.

But it wasn't long before Leslie discovered that medicine wasn't as glamorous a profession as she had expected.

She says the long hard hours were draining her both physically and emotionally.

"I was depressed all the time and didn't really have a social life.

"Doctors generally either become involved with their patients or they become detached," Leslie said.

So Leslie found herself thinking of switching careers.

During her spare time Leslie had become involved with a medical talk show on the radio. She sat on a panel with other doctors giving medical advice to callers over the air.

As the radio season, Leslie discovered she could relax — something she could never do at her doctor's office or the hospital. So she took a communications course in college and made up her mind to change careers.

The transition forced Leslie to learn a new life-style. She had to take a big salary cut to get her first television job in Boise, Idaho.

And Leslie admits she does miss the big money she made as a doctor.

"I have really had to adjust because it is a step down financially.

"Fortunately I have income property in California that pays the mortgage on my Beverly Hills house. But I'm having some difficulty paying for the maintenance costs on my Porsche.

"It used to be I spent money and never gave it a second thought. But it doesn't bother me too much," says Leslie.

Blonde Leslie Morrow rides a moped to her office after quitting her big money job as a doctor to become a television newswoman. She says she loves her new career — but misses the money.

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Doomed [redacted] beats cancer thanks to new [redacted] serum

Once-doomed Phillip L. Karr is living proof that scientists have discovered a new miracle cure for cancer — a serum made from the cells of mice!

The 47-year-old retired engineer — once told he had only five years to live — said the experimental treatment has put his inoperable cancer in full remission.

By Jim FARRAGUT

"I feel great," Karr told The [redacted]. "My doctors looked at me and said, 'It's incredible!' Using current techniques, there is no evidence of cancer in my body."

His doctors have declined to comment on the incredible cancer cure until the results of their tests on Karr are published in medical journals.

However they gave Karr permission to discuss his own case and have not disputed his claims.

Karr, who lives in Santa Barbara, Calif. was declared by Stanford University Medical Center in Palo Alto, Calif. "to be suffering from the terrible cancer that had ravaged his body since it was diagnosed five years ago."

Karr has been on outpatient care for experimental therapy ended. He said he was returning to Stanford once a month for examinations and tests and has been declared free of all signs of the deadly disease.

"There is absolutely no question that the therapy has resulted in a very dramatic improvement," he said. "What they did for me is a work of art — a masterpiece of scientific work is what the doctors have performed."

The new miracle cure is known antibodies created, in part, from the cells of mice. Karr said it involved him having a state of "weakened, general malaise" in the area of health and illness he once knew.

A Medical Center spokesman said the revolutionary cancer cure involves the creation of an antibody by combining the cells from Karr's own immune system with cells taken from the spleens of mice.

The combination produced a cell that produces an antibody that was injected into Karr's cancer ravaged body.

Antibodies created that way are called monoclonal antibodies.

The first cure successfully achieved in talk by two physicians in England. This paving the way for the amazing results of the Stanford experiments.

Prior to the achievement in England it was believed that cells human monoclonal antibodies would be useful in therapy and those days set back the prolonged because of the great difficulty in handling human cells.

Although Karr is only one of six cancer victims to undertake the experimental injections, doctors declined to describe their other patients, other than to say their progress is "encouraging."

Karr's treatment of three or four injections of mice-cell antibodies was carried out over a month long period. The side effects were limited doctors said, to a slight fever during the injections.

Karr said he had previously undergone chemotherapy, bone marrow biopsies, plasma pheresis (which exchanges the blood serum of one person with that of another person) and experimental treatment with interferon.

Bride, 16, won't kiss groom, 66

The marriage of Lorraine Grieve, 16 and Dick Simpson, 66, was going great — right up to the minute that it was time for the bride to kiss the groom.

Not only did young Lorraine refuse to kiss her brand-new hubby — she wouldn't even shake hands.

"Keep him away from me," cried Lorraine at the climax of the ceremonies in Glasgow, Scotland. "I'm going home to my mom."

Lorraine left declaring she wanted the marriage annulled. But Dick said witnesses felt the bride was just suffering "wedding day nerves."

Dick says he first met Lorraine when she was hired to help with his household chores. Love blossomed and they decided to marry.

Love triumphed and shortly after the wacky wedding, the couple was reunited and were all on their honeymoon.

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Unchained melody

While his companions wait patiently, one puppy looks like he's singing for his supper — or maybe he just has the solo part in a canine chorus. The eight cute pooches are actually resting comfortably in a shelter in Conway, Ark., and howling here is not for shows. A good home or a few dog biscuits should perk up the rest of the pups as the folks with the open mouth won't have to carry the tune alone. Then again, maybe he's not singing at all. He could be bored and too impatient to settle a point.

Army uses kids' games to teach GIs to kill

America's fighting men are being taught to kill with the latest weapon in the training arsenal — kiddie video games!

And the outrage is costing taxpayers an incredible $3 million, the price of developing the electronic toys that make child's play of life-and-death combat skills.

Army, Navy and Air Force troops will soon be toppling make-believe enemies dodging land mines and missiles, outwitting opponents and sinking attacking ships — all on video game machines they'll play to recreation rooms on bases.

The "training" machines are sophisticated versions of the lights flashing and gun-popping bomb blasting, noisy video games kiddies play in pizzeria parlors across the country.

"The game machines are intended to make the troops more combat ready," declared Pentagon spokesman Army Sergeant Jeff Samuels. "The machines won't replace any actual training — they'll reinforce it.

"The GIs will actually be learning fun while they're increasing their knowledge.

"These machines are very realistic. They do exactly the same things the weapons do, except for actual missiles.

"For instance, we have an anti-tank weapon game in which we've assigned rewards very similar to those in the actual weapon. The player looks through the same type of sight he would use to combat and fires the weapon.

"It electronically registers a hit or miss, giving the player the actual feeling of the experience. It increases the individual's perception and response, and makes skills.

Some of the video "war" games are designed to soldiers can either play alone or as part of a team with computer, commander and another gunner.

"We're going to great lengths to make this fun," said Craig Fields, of the Defense Department's Advanced Research Programs Agency.

But the Defense Department is taking the new weapon to the arsenal of battlefield training seriously — they plan to set up video combat games between troops.

One video war lesson is established the objects was designed, it's still creative shutterwork, even being to kill. Copies of the sophisticated games the fighters

80,000 bees swarm home

Eighty thousand bees invaded Ethel Anderson's home, turning her life into a nightmare and her house into something that looked like the set of a scary movie.

For over a month the bees swarmed, covering the doors, leaving in the attic, taking over the top floor of the Bradstock Mill... home. All attempts to kill them failed.

Mrs. Anderson closed off most of the house and slept on a sofa in the living room that she kept at nearly freezing temperatures to keep the bees away from her.

Finally, a beekeeper surveyed the house with sugar water and a chemical trail drew the bees to a cage on the front door where they died.

"The nightmare has finally ended," Mrs. Anderson said. But I still panic every time I hear a buzzing noise and I'm afraid to go up to the attic."

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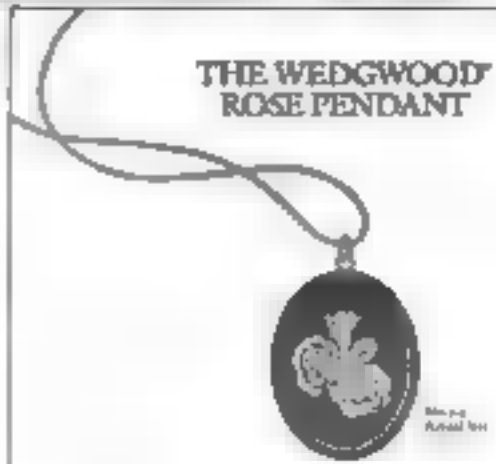

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Dewey Hodges — driven by the memory of his daughter.

Heroic dad [redacted] four teens trapped in the blazing wreckage of their car

By MICKEY McGUIRE

Hero is dad Dewey Hodges was driven by the nightmare memory of his daughter's near-death in a house fire when he pulled four teenagers from the blazing wreckage of their car.

And it wasn't until later that the 36-year-old Maryland man learned that two of the kids he saved were friends of his own children.

"It was horrible," Dewey told The [illegible]. "The car had plowed head-on into a tree and burst into flames. I could see two people inside and I knew I couldn't stand there and watch them burn to death."

Dewey came on the scene while driving to his home in Damascus, Md., along a winding, tree-lined and sidewalk-stretch of Route 108 — a stretch of road that's earned the name "Killer Highway."

"It was about 1 a.m. and I could see the lights of a car approaching me," Dewey said. "Then, when it drove around a sweeping curve, the lights were gone. I knew something had happened even before I saw the blazing wreckage.

"I stopped my car and ran to the burning vehicle and looked inside. I could see a girl sitting in there. She was staring at me with blood streaming down her face.

"I yelled at her that the car was burning, but she gave no reaction, so I reached in and pulled her out the open window. I dragged her across the road in time the car exploded. Then I went back and got the other person. I'd even jammed against the dashboard.

"As I was pulling the guy across the highway, I heard a girl's scream from inside the car. I knew then there was at least one, and probably two more persons trapped inside."

The blazing wreckage claimed screaming victims for Dewey whose daughter Cynthia was nearly killed in a house fire seven years ago.

"That's what I had on my mind the whole time — that fire that almost took my daughter. I knew I had to go back and get the others out of the car before they burned to death."

Twice more Dewey returned to the blazing inferno to pull its victims from a terrible death. One of the trapped teenagers was pinned so tightly in the wrecked car that Dewey frustrated the police with pulling him to safety.

"If he had been wearing a seatbelt, I never would have gotten him out," Dewey said. "His clothing was on fire and I had to pull with every ounce of my strength. I heard the bone in his arm snap, but I got him out."

During Dewey's courageous, lifesaving rescue, shelter pieces of the material surrounding police and fire department most. But by the time they arrived, there was nothing left of the car but a mass of charred steel.

"I can't get over this. If Dewey hadn't been right there and pulled those kids out, they wouldn't be alive right now," police spokesman Phil Cornell said. "It's just a fantastic and courageous thing."

And because of that heroic act, Mark Manning, 18, Cynthia Mundy, 18, Brian Ciaggetti, 18, and Anne Shipley, 18, escaped a death no hero can imagine.

"It was a nightmare!" Dewey said. "I'm still shaken by it. But I just couldn't stand by and watch four people die."

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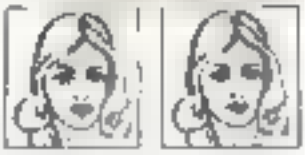

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Angry mom washes out son's wedding

A beautiful bride was left waiting at the altar in Johannesburg, South Africa, because the groom's mother locked him in the shower and hid his suit.

Marshall Mbeki, 26, escaped two hours later — but by that time everyone at the church had gone home.

Savage python goes berserk and swallows owner's head

A murderous pet python suddenly clamped its crushing jaws over its owner's head and slowly began to swallow him alive!

Bennett Burgess writhed in agony as the huge snake wrapped its massive coils around his face and slowly pulled his blood-spattered head into its throat. Soon only Bennett's right eye could be seen under the serpent's jaws.

By [illegible]

The screaming man battled the snake for 20 agonizing minutes before clawing his way from the creature's deadly grip.

When the heart-stopping ordeal was over, doctors had to pull three of the powerful python's teeth from the victim's slashed face.

"It was a nightmare I'll relive for the rest of my life. It was pure horror," Bennett, 23, told The NEWS.

"I thought my eyes would be gouged out, that I was going to die."

The terror began as Bennett was feeding his 16-foot pet, Monty, in his Gainesville, Fla., home.

Bennett's roommate, Richard Frank, was sitting in an adjoining room when the snake attacked.

"The sound was awesome. It sounded like something hit Bennett's head with a huge rock," Richard said.

"I could [illegible] into my forehead and the warm blood running down my face," Bennett recalled.

"The pain was terrible. I fought but he was stronger than I was. I was in a panic."

Inch by terrifying inch, the massive snake engulfed more and more of the trapped man's head in its monstrous mouth. At the same time, it coiled its muscular body in a death grip around his throat.

"I couldn't breathe and I couldn't see," Bennett said. "I could feel his hot breath all over my face. It was the most helpless, horrifying feeling I've ever known."

Bennett's girlfriend, [illegible], 23, was working in another room when she was awakened by the victim's bone-chilling screams.

"I ran in and saw the most hideous thing I've ever seen," [illegible] completely covered and blood was everywhere — all over him, all over the room.

"Richard was tugging at the snake, but the more he pulled, the tighter it coiled around Bennett's head and throat.

"I totally freaked out — I thought he was going to die and there was nothing I could do about it. By then there was nothing he could do but groan and I knew he was in agony.

"The blood was all over my clothes. I've always been afraid of that snake, but what was happening now was beyond my wildest fears."

As the desperate young woman ran for an ax to kill the savage snake, Bennett somehow managed to free himself from the creature's grasp.

"I don't know how it happened — I was screaming, I was poking at its eyes and mouth and suddenly it just turned me loose."

I was in shock, but [illegible] the Burgess [illegible] of my life.

He [illegible] Bennett to a hospital where doctors removed the python's teeth [illegible] his head and [illegible]

[illegible] from the time he was a [illegible] baby, said [illegible] doesn't know what made the snake turn cannibal.

He was always so gentle and playful with the [illegible]. I've been told that he might have turned aggressive [illegible] mating [illegible] to muscle in on [illegible] his dinner.

"All I know is that I'll never feel comfortable around that [illegible] snake again," [illegible] added.

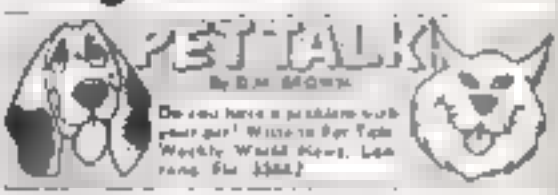
"As soon as I can find him a good home, Monty's going to [illegible]."

Bennett Burgess wrestles with Monty, the python that went crazy and tried to eat the snake-lover alive.

Gas prices are for the birds

Frank West, left photo, figures gasoline prices are for the birds — so he lets his cockatoos, Fred, handle the cash. After [illegible] Frank fill the tank at [illegible] Beach, Va., Fred takes the money [illegible]

I'm afraid my parakeet's beak will keep on growing until it kills him



Dear Pet Talk: Last May I purchased a parakeet and I'm getting worried about him. He won't go near his mate/baby and his beak is almost touching his chest. I heard a bird can chip his beak so later that I'll cut his longest. But I'm afraid if nothing is done his beak will stab him. Is there any way to get both to use the cuttlebone?

Rocky Bird
Port Edward, N.Y.

Dear Rocky Bird: Your parakeet's beak needs to be worked in all ways. Cover the cage securely and run him down to the vet who'll safely clip the beak for you. So that this doesn't happen again, try providing the parakeet a budgie's mate that or toys to can't move a. Have a bird or the lower so he'll be encouraged to a.

You can also try a parrot's name from the beak along or drag over on the bottom of the cage. Some parakeets prefer this a roughage.

Our two cats are ruining the carpet

Dear Pet Talk: I have two 6-month-old kitty cats. Last month I left them alone for two days and when I got home I found they had done their duty on the living room carpeting.

I washed it with vinegar and then sprinkled pepper over the area to get rid of the odor. And when I thought I'd solved the problem, it happened four more times in the same spot.

Terribly Tabby
Markham, N.J.

Dear Tabby: What's going to stop one cat from getting upset? Keep your cats and your carpets free by confining you pets to the bathroom whenever you leave the house.

Your kitties are returning to the scene of their "crime" and have carpet cleaning smells come from an instinctive search of the spoiled spot.

After you have cleaned and dried the spot, rub it with an ammonia-dampened rag. This should prevent the cat from using the area for further duty. Pepper.

My poodles are spoiled rotten

Dear Pet Talk: My dogs Pepe and Pandora are three- and one-years-old, and are good dogs but spoiled rotten.

They both love the vet Tinker's tried and Tinker likes dog food and milk.

He is really healthy and exercises every but always in his kitchen which he doesn't use as a bathroom. Am I taking good care of my pets and how long should they live?

Spoiled Pets
St. Joseph, Mo.

Dear Spoiled Pets: No dogs that are allowed to roam near a highway will live as are their old age problem. The oldest dog known in America lived to be 29 years, but a dog's life span, depending on the breed, is about 10 to 15 years.

A 10-year-old dog is the equivalent of an 80-year-old person. Cats live 12 to 18 years on the average, but your Tinker man's best that long if you don't get him off dog food. His milk ration is all right as long as it doesn't cause digestive upsets the diarrhea.

Dogs' and cats' nutritional requirements are quite different, and for healthy pets, you should make it your business to feed them separately and properly.

Does my ferret need a playmate?

Dear Pet Talk: My two-year-old spayed female ferret runs free in my room, and is very spoiled. I never leave her alone for several hours a day. Is being alone bothering her, or should I get another ferret?

I'm afraid that if I get a second one, mine will be hurt by the newcomer, or that they would fight for my attention.

Frisky Ferret
Clifton, N.J.

Dear Frisky: Your spoiled baby will be just fine left alone daily. Ferrets are descended from a nocturnal species, so yours will probably just sleep the time away.

Another ferret, and since yours is spayed you could get either a male or a female, could cause rivalry problems, but it's more likely the new ferret would end up having such low esteem she would be left out in the cold.

Rock-a-bye bear

This big resident of the London zoo kills time and amuses visitors by grabbing his toy and rocking back and forth for hours.

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Bird castle

Little Brigitte Bretzl of Marxenhain, Germany, thinks that her feathered friends visit the family's huge backyard bird castle — an elaborate project built by her dad.

$100 million in cash ruins man's business

By Jill Wagner

Joe Falcon has an incredible $100 million in currency piled up in a warehouse — and it's wrecking his business!

The feds are all shredded government paperwork that Joe bought as packing material for products he ships from his Brooklyn papermaking plant.

But Treasury agents have warned Brew Metals Industries that the ripped up greenbacks is illegal.

They say criminals may try to cover the tell-tale paper trail of the government's glue.

That's totally ridiculous," Joe told The NEWS.

There's no way anyone could ever put together a dollar bill out of that mess — it's just unpossible.

It's not only it would be funny, it's been killing my business.

Brew Metals ships products using shredded paper and stuffing and shipping its goods by some of the government orders.

In one shipment alone, we have 20,000 bangs filling of a small order boxes in Chicago that can't be sold because they're packed in shredded money," Joe said.

"This thing has more or less put our business here on hold."

Joe has been buying the shredded paper from a printing company that got it from the government.

We just thought it was a little different, he said.

It was cheaper than the packaging we were using and it was fairly good for packing.

A lot of our customers thought it was an interesting touch — they loved getting a

Joe Falcon says he's the $100 million that's ruining his business — shredded money that he can't use for packing.

and had no intention of breaking my law."

Joe's troubles began when an angry woman overheard one of Brew Metals' products and wrote to President Reagan complaining about the shredded bills she found inside.

The feds then jumped on Joe, telling him to knock it off.

If we could get people to buy our bridges and printing we never ... [illegible]

by all us," the businessman said.

Joe is trying to convince the government to change its mind. If that doesn't work, he said, he will ask it to let the feds to buy back the shredded cabbage.

"I wouldn't dare accuse the government of doing anything dumb," Joe said.

"But this one seems a little off ... [illegible]

Fortune Teller

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WHAT is your secret message from the Orient this week? It pays not to guess too soon. Here's the key to decoding your message. If the number of letters in your first name is five, whatever that number from 2 to 7 there are more than 5 letters in your first name, subtract the letter from 13. Now take the month and find your key letter in the word ORIENT above. Starting at the upper left corner of the box below, check each one of your key letters as it appears there left to right. The letters below each of your key letters spell out a coded message for you.

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PUZZLE CORNER

[illegible] quiz

1 Take a new 45 years old and John is 21. How many years ago was Tom four times as old as John?

[illegible]

"M*A*S*H" remains one of TV's most popular shows. Do you know:

1. What the letters "M*A*S*H" stand for?
2. What is Hawkeye's full name on the show?
3. How did Col. Henry Blake die on the show?
4. In what city is the show set?
5. What is Max Klinger's nickname?

[illegible]

This week's Wednesday contains the names of 10 things associated with grooming. We're

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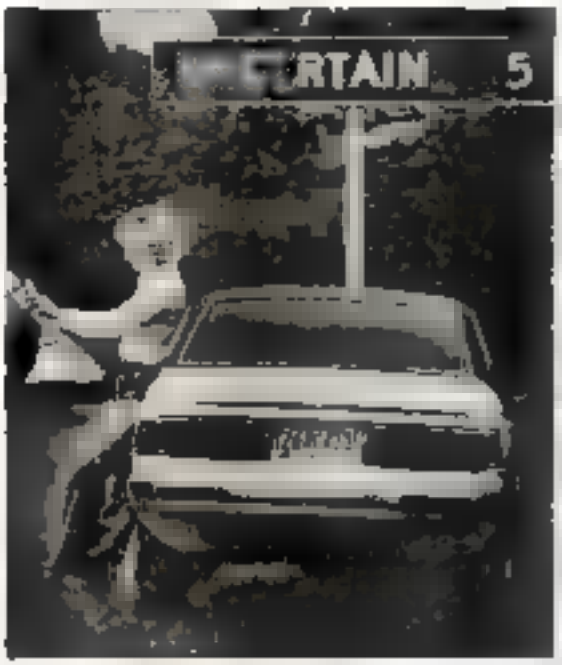

Puzzling town

My wonder this motorist had to check how road map — she's lost outside Uncertain, Tex., and not puzzling what that means.

I'm 83 and healthy but those old women just won't leave me alone

Dear Babe: I'm what you'd call a senior citizen. I'm 83, but I feel as young as I have in [illegible] years. I have a [illegible] personality and I'm well-liked by all the young women. I have been fortunate it's affordable.

The problem is the women. They never leave me alone. I can't have a moment's peace day or night. They go to any length to get my attention and are ugly and rude when [illegible] have absolutely no interest in [illegible]

It's as if they cannot stand to see a man alone. I was married 47 years and have no desire to have another old lady trying to [illegible] me.

Is there some way that I can get them to leave me in peace? Must all women have a man to feel fulfilled? I am very tired of this chase.

Bedeviled
Lakeland, Fla.

Dear Bedeviled: Yes, some women need a man to feel whole and vice versa. That's nature's program.

With your wide game, you have our habitual pity for shooting at a woman's life and needs. The ladies in the community are poor as a man who needs a woman, so they try any way they can to be the one.

I'm sure they have only good intentions as they vie for your time.

All I can suggest is that you tell them that you have no interest and that you want to be alone to live your life as you have for your need.

Once the word gets around, they will back off and find [illegible] more accessible prize to "bother."

Dear Babe...

Babe will be very pleased to help anyone who has a personal problem. Just write her, Babe, Weekly World News, 600 E. East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33462. Letters will be answered only in this column.

I'm losing the newlywed game

Dear Babe: I have been married for two months to a man whom I have loved since [illegible]

Now a week ago I got really very much in the dark about my folks never talked about the subject and I never had an unpleasant experience.

I have had a rough time trying to find some pleasure in this part of marriage but so far nothing has been very rewarding.

My husband [illegible] that I can't enjoy the lovemaking. Don't this worry [illegible] marriage?

Newly Wed
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Newly Wed: Many times young married couples expect outstanding performances when they have only had casual experiences but the truth is that this is rare.

Young men are usually more aggressive than their wives, so if you feel overpowering, understandable. Tell him so. Sexual compatibility is something that grows with time and [illegible]

There is no hurry.

My flabby body is embarrassing

Dear Babe: I am a 36-year-old divorcee with two kids. I have put on weight to the point of being embarrassed at my body.

I have a boyfriend who says he likes me the way I am but I can't help feeling embarrassed about myself.

I want to wear swimming suits but I have a terribly baggy-ugh about exposing my overweight body.

What do you suggest?

Fat Slob
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Fat: Of course you're fat. I don't think she is really angry — she is also hurt because she won't have you close. You should explain to her how much you would like to live with her but that you need the love of your own friend as [illegible] mistress.

The sure thing as a woman she will understand.

We want a church wedding this time

Dear Babe: I will be getting married in February — to my ex-husband!

We were divorced and found that it was a big mistake as we want to start all over. We were married by a judge the first time, but this time we want to have a church wedding with all the trimmings.

Our problem is that our parents think it would be silly, and that we should just have another simple ceremony.

We don't want to hurt our parents. Your opinion is very important to us.

Beyond Them Around
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Around Them: By all means have a church wedding. I'm happy to see you discovering that divorce is not always the answer to problems. I think you should tell your parents that you are having the wedding in church because you want a completely fresh start.

I'm sure they will be happy to accept.

Daughter's mad at me & treats me mean

Dear Babe: I've been living with a man for 10 years. I recently visited my daughter in Boston and she wanted me to stay there.

I considered it but my lover kept calling me to come home and I finally did after three weeks.

Now my daughter gives me the cold shoulder on the phone and talks to me like she is mad at me.

Hurt
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Dear Hurt: Of course you're hurt. I don't think she is really angry — she is also hurt because she won't have you close. You should explain to her how much you would like to live with her but that you need the love of your own friend as [illegible] mistress.

The sure thing as a woman she will understand.

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"Did you call him at work, Howard?"

Silly law gives stiff penalty for double parking

By MARC McCUTCHEON

Double-parkers in one big American city can be put in leg-irons on a chain gang and fed only a slice of bread and water!

That ordinance in Minneapolis, Minn., is just one of dozens of loony laws that were put on the books to deter serious lawbreakers.

Sometimes the ordinances were designed to fight a very specific problem.

For example, this law was passed by the city government of Waterloo, Nebr., in [illegible]: "It shall be illegal for any barber in this town to eat onions between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m."

And sometimes the laws were to meet the lawmakers' ego.

Ordinance No. [illegible] of [illegible], Mass., for example, once provided that "any person who shall not lift his hat to the Mayor as he passes him on the street, will be guilty of a misdemeanor."

Here are some more wacky laws:

A city ordinance passed by Alderson, W. Va., stated: "No lions shall be allowed to run wild on the streets of this city."

It is illegal to lasso a fish in Knoxville, Tenn.

It is against the law to swim on dry land in Santa Ana, Calif.

If a woman wants to buy a new hat in [illegible], Ky., her husband must try it on first.

Section [illegible] of the statutes of [illegible], Tex., stated: "In all public places of resort or amusement, such as churches or hotels or halls of assembly or stores or markets or banking rooms or railroad depots or saloons, shall be required at the expense of the owners or persons in charge of same, to be provided with spittoons of a kind and number to sufficiently contain expectorations into them."

It is against the law to mispronounce the name of the city of Joliet, Ill.

Only babies are allowed to ride in baby carriages in Roderfield, W. Va.

In Portland, Maine, it is unlawful to tickle a girl under the chin with a feather duster.

In Cold Spring, Pa., liquor can be sold to a married man only if he has his wife's permission.

Wearing hats that frighten timid people in Saco, Me., is against the law.

Section 1 of Ordinance No. [illegible] of Portland, Oreg., states: "It shall be unlawful to bathe in the waters of the Willamette River or in the waters of any lake, slough or creek within the corporate limits of the City of Portland between the hours of six o'clock a.m. and half past eight p.m. without wearing a bathing dress which shall cover the body from the neck to the knees, and no person while so clothed in such bathing suit or otherwise, shall unnecessarily expose himself to the public view."

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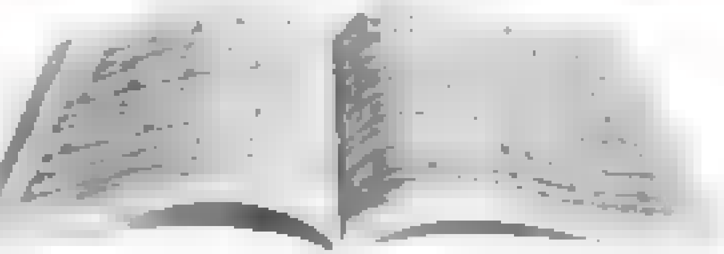

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Bad breathing causes serious mental trouble

Millions of Americans who feel anxiety and a sense of impending doom are probably just not breathing right, says a prominent doctor.

"The problem is that most of us breathe with our chests, not our diaphragms — and that causes a stress reaction simply because we were meant to breathe with our chests only in times of stress and physical endeavors," says Dr. Alan Hymes, assistant professor of surgery at the University of Minnesota.

Breathing with your chest creates a nervous state that goes with exertion, running, fighting and protecting yourself — and can trigger anxiety, says Dr. Rudolph Ballentine, co-author of "Science of Breath."

"Using the diaphragm is a simple way to reduce anxiety."

When you breathe with your diaphragm, you can feel your body expand in the lower rib cage area, Dr. Ballentine says.

"Simply put your hand on the lower edge of your ribs, and if you can feel an expansion in that area when you inhale, then you're using your diaphragm," he says. "If your chest is moving, then you are breathing through your chest instead."

Most people breathe with their shoulders and chests, Dr. Hymes says. "That's because to breathe with your diaphragm means that your stomach protrudes every time you take a breath. And it doesn't look too good."

Birdman devotes life to rescuing feathered friends

Rudy Quatorsky is known as the kindhearted "Birdman of Westwood" — he's dedicated his life to helping ailing birds.

And people come from miles around to bring sick or hurt birds to Rudy's sanctuary in his small New Jersey hometown.

The 56-year-old retired engineer cares for his feathered friends so much that he spends $50 a week from his meager Social Security income to buy birdseed.

"Some people spend their time collecting cars, others like sailing and some chase after women.

"I spend my time caring for sick and injured birds. I feel very close to birds. They trust me and I trust them. We communicate," he said.

Rudy said that he's opened almost 6,000 birds back to health since starting his love for the winged creatures at the age of 18.

"I guess it all started when I bought a canary for my mother. Eventually, it was surrounded by birds.

And years later Rudy is still surrounded by birds. He has an aviary, an 800 patients at one time.

Most are kept in one of two buildings behind his home. But the sicker birds, and the more exotic species, are kept in cages in his living room.

And Rudy's living room has been converted into a laboratory where he conducts most of his healing work.

Tomorrow, he'll do it in Montreal, but he is quiet in nature. When you ambulance patients you withdraw mankind, Rudy said.

Freeing the right bird is a work of injured bird as much as possible in very important, he added.

If you find a bird that's just fallen out of the nest, and other wise looks all right, try to get it back into the nest. If it's hurt get it to a person who is qualified to care for it right away. Otherwise it won't live.

Birdman Rudy Quatorsky gets a kiss from one of the hundreds of birds that share his home. The retired engineer has devoted his life to helping feathered creatures.

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GIANT HOBOSCOPE

by Mickie Dodane

ARIES

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

Your springtime spirit begins to sag during this misty week, but you pull yourself out of the slump by planning healthful new work. The more active you are, Aries, the better you'll feel. Leave pondering for another time.

Be cautious if approached for a loan. You may be persuaded a bit too financially-involved yourself. Avoid extravagance. Watch for warning between the lines.

TAURUS

Apr. 20-May 20

You start out slowly this week and build to an outburst of energy. A project that's been dragging can be completed now. Tension at you from mysterious sources may spoil and stick in your craw of action.

Keep opposing viewpoints open to discussion with Libra, but you may have to spend unexpected time getting close friend through a short crisis.

GEMINI

May 21-June 20

There's a spring in your step and a song in your heart this week, Geminis, as you are surrounded by good vibrations. You discover a new approach to an old problem, and it's so simple you wonder how you overlooked it before.

Responsibilities at home may be urgent if you show concern to mate's annoyance. Don't give over a personal problem upon with a wave of the hand — show affection.

CANCER

June 21-July 22

Step back to get a fresh perspective today. You can pull yourself out of the pit but it will take initiative, guts and commitment. Nothing to do is the familiar and because of a fear of the unknown could leave you more depressed than striking out in a daring direction.

This is an important time for you and may involve letting go of something close to the center of your own life.

LEO

July 23-Aug. 22

To overcome frustration that has plagued you for months, imagine a program that allows progress on goals most important to you, Leo. You may start out with a list, or keep a diary of how you spend your time for a few days and you'll be surprised how much of a part to things that aren't really important at all.

Careful planning will get you on the right track.

VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

You originate the work of and effort all the emotional upheavals of many weeks. Virgo, and you begin to feel more like your cool self again — in charge, determined and efficient.

Differences still to be ironed out with an old friend, but you are clear about resolving that course of action temporarily interrupted. Take care with appearance and eating habits.

LIBRA

Sept. 23-Oct. 22

It's time to take a careful look at your financial position, Libra. You may be hoarding the pearl overlooking there a few expenditures that you know you should have resisted — but just couldn't. Tighten that belt, check budget and look temptation right in the eye.

Friends share ideas and input that you value you try to withhold a stingy show, whatever's behavior.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23-Nov. 21

You feel wonderfully in tune with the rhythm of the times, Scorpio, and it's no wonder — it's the stability of your birthday cycle and spirits are soaring.

Finish old projects before tackling new. Take advice or date out for an offbeat evening and let those good vibes carry you through the week. The best with people who are not — you are all smiles now.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Career is emphasized now, Sagittarius, and those who work outside the home are capable of making great strides forward.

Your reactions improve so that a situation that doesn't really change very much moves faster to you and you feel like a ton of weight has been lifted off your shoulders. There's both drive in your spirit and renewed energy projects you.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

The rainy weather will be a thing to dampen your spirits Capricorn. You manage to mix business with pleasure and turn a social invitation into the start of a profitable business arrangement.

Your charitable side prods you to make a donation to a worthy cause or take on a project most would shun. You're rewarded by loving good about yourself.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

This is a week's time to break out of the old rut and look on to a new hobby or interest that revitalizes your yearning spirit. Aquarius. Restlessness is replaced with determination and physical confidence is strong.

Spend time with loved ones in favorite activities. Those bothersome household tasks can be kept to a minimum but pursuits may be called on

PISCES

Feb. 19-March 20

Your heart is still doing somersaults and it's hard to concentrate on mundane work. Pisces. Dreaming won't make it come true, but actions will, so stop procrastinating and get on with job at hand.

Start with a carefully thought out list of priorities. Work lucky jobs with your terrific eye for detail and you'll be rewarded but others may get to develop a project

This week's birthday

TATUM O'NEAL NOV. 5, 1963 SCORPIO

Tatum O'Neal, the actress daughter of Ryan O'Neal will be 16 this week.

She was born under the sun sign of Scorpio and that makes her a natural rascal but with those planetary forces she also is blessed with strong will power, courage and dynamic acting ability. This spring brings an influence will year in the humanitarian of her life. She's going to delight and be in the things she can direction good or humanitarian but she doesn't care. Trips and hobbies are all that matter.

Mid-April brings revelations she glories at life with a passion and objects to how than others. She gets bored quickly with timid people who don't have the guts to go what they want. But with so much energy in her there she'll have to be careful about bad days and ladies people in her 5 get badly burned.

Sailors in August gives Tatum an interest in politics and she may not only join causes but wind up living the things have propelling them forward.

The Scorpio adventurous spirit could be danger in Make the charming child what a little actress but with talent in Acting [illegible] digital pursuit.

Writing powerful speeches and can definitely be persuasive. She can speak eloquently. Both which angered and is quick to forgive and

For future acting is a fruitful [illegible]

Astro Match Ups

By Skip Fickling

Leo male — Leo female

Play the Lion's Den when these two big cats clash! Neither will be able to tame the other. Both want control and will refuse to give up an inch of their kingdoms.

She likes a strong man but not a tyrant. He wants a grown-up woman at one of those dolls that squeals when you pull the cord.

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If she tries to run the show he'll probably hand her a small gift — a one-way ticket to anywhere.

When they meet they are in each other a fascinating quick wit and a fun loving flowing air. Both like nice things and both are warm, exuberant lovers and sentimentalist. They light each other's fire just like that and - boom — they're married.

Then bit. They begin to notice flaws on the tips of those delicate fingers. Where they had blindly agreed on everything in their courtship, suddenly nothing is decided except to anger.

She resents her arrogance. He provokes her by making eyes at every girl at the party. This match up has a high divorce rate. The wedding may be quick and perhaps but the divorce may wind up a shambles of accusations, alimony lawyers and Academy Award performances.

Don't forget — they're both actors and the entire world is their stage. They need people to balance their precarious egocentrical levels, and A-listers there. They both need trips of flattery. But how can they flatter each other when they're so busy taking bows?

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Crippled pair roll across America to bring hope to millions of handicapped

By JOE BERGER

Two courageous crippled men made a torturous trek across America in wheelchairs to instill a spark of hope in handicapped kids everywhere.

Men in wheelchairs brave snakes, heat and howling winds in 3,500-mile journey

The determined pair fought off vicious rattlesnakes, howling winds and merciless desert heat to become the first people ever to cross the country in wheelchairs powered solely by hand.

"We did it for ourselves and for other disabled people — to show them that they don't have to be afraid to get out and make something of their lives," Phil Carpenter, 34, told The NEWS.

"But mostly we did it for the handicapped kids who are just starting out. We figured that by showing them what we could do, we would be showing them what they could do, too."

It took Phil and George Murray, 36, less than 38 weeks to make their grueling, 3,500-mile journey from Los Angeles to New York City.

As the Holiday, Fla., man wheeled their way across the Mojave Desert in the middle of the night, Phil twice survived heart-stopping encounters with deadly rattlers coiled in the roadway.

"Both times we were just rolling along and all of a sudden there was the snake — right there in front of me ready to attack," Phil recalled.

"I couldn't lift my legs and I couldn't stop, so I just threw my hands up and rolled right over the top of him, landing my wheels and praying.

"I've lived through some real terror before, but that was pretty terrifying, I can tell you. I never even looked back to see what had happened to those snakes."

The gutsy adventurers averaged 25 miles a day, most of them grueling but some of them more thrilling than any roller-coaster ride.

In one memorable day, the daring pair tumbled 25 miles down the east side of the Rocky Mountains at speeds of nearly 50 miles an hour.

"It was a glorious, magnificent sensation," Phil said. "We were on top of the world, almost literally. We could've gone a lot faster, but we didn't want to override the speed on our chairs. We had to look up little parachutes around us just to keep things under control."

Phil and George made their inspiring journey after surviving horrifying accidents that left them paralyzed for life.

George was crippled by a rifle bullet that splintered his spine in a hunting accident when he was 14.

Phil narrowly escaped sudden death 10 years ago when he crashed into an embankment at 80 miles an hour while water-skiing.

"I broke my back and a bunch of ribs and punctured a lung," he said.

"I guess people would have forgiven me for lying around and feeling sorry for myself, but I could never have forgiven myself.

Phil, who is president of the International Wheelchair Road Racers Club, concluded:

"I guess we wanted to show people that just because you're paralyzed it doesn't mean you are necessarily a cripple."

Phil Carpenter, above, and his partner, George Murray, pushed 3,500 miles across America in journey of hope.

Bible holds $7 million message

Army Sergeant Robert Gormley couldn't believe his eyes when he turned the pages of an old family Bible and found an IOU that could be worth more than $7 million.

The note, signed by the police commissioner of East St. Louis, Ill., was dated February 8, 1878.

And while it was a promise to repay $200, it could now be worth more than 3,500 times that amount with interest compounded over 111 years.

"It blew my mind when I saw that date," exclaimed Gormley, 48, Army recruiter in Livermore, Calif.

City officials in East St. Louis haven't rushed to repay the old note and Gormley has been warned that what he found in the Good Book may be nothing more than a bad debt.

"We've been trying fruitlessly to get a response from the city, but so far they won't even answer our letters," Gormley's lawyer, Paul Gilpatrick of Livermore, told The NEWS.

"Anyone who's ever been to East St. Louis would understand why they wouldn't be too happy to pay this debt. It's not exactly a prosperous town."

The debt is more than the city's budget for a whole year.

"The city could never pay that note," said Artie Talley, the mayor's assistant. "But we better all trying to collect the note."

Gormley hasn't been able to solve the mystery of who loaned the city of East St. Louis $200 in the late 1800s or why the debt was never collected.

"My Gen-cracker was a great one for saving things," Gormley said. "I guess she just inherited this and tucked it away for safekeeping."

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10-most-beautiful list isn't big enough for dumpy Liz

Chubby superstar Elizabeth Taylor was enraged after learning that Harper's Bazaar magazine excluded her from its 10 Most Beautiful Women's list.

The 48-year-old screen dumpling at first was thrilled when the glamor mag gave her a call and asked if she would pose for some photos for the article.

Once billed as the "world's most beautiful woman," Liz still possesses those wild violet eyes that stunned audiences and would-be romeos alike.

However, the years and her big appetite have surrounded those eyes with a hefty coating of flesh.

Despite her extra poundage, Liz still thinks she's a legendary beauty and was furious when the mag decided to leave her off the list — especially since Liz gave hours of her valuable time to pose for pictures.

A fast-talking Harper's employee managed to soothe the actress' hurt by telling her:

"Oh, Miss Taylor — you're not in that category at all. You're the SEXIEST beautiful." — Rose Bosom.

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Billy Carter is licking his chops over the revenge he's going to get against those mean reporters who wrote such nasty things about him while Jimmy was prez.

Vengeful Billy just inked a one-year pact with Oui sex mag to become a star columnist. And he's already boasting about how he'll handle the nation's top enemies list.

"I'm going to write about the members of the press," chortled Billy.

"I'm going to be like a bull out of the blue — like they were with me." — William Hickey

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Bionic Cathy Lubin angel **Lynn Redgrave** didn't waste any time after she was canned from the series because of her famous breast-feeding and salary dispute.

The English lass has already signed up to star in an NBC series called "Teachers Only." The series, produced by talk king Johnny Carson's company, will feature Lynn as an English teacher and her present pal will be played by the ex-Mr. Roger of "Three's Company," Suzanne Pleshette. — New York Post Headliners.

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Cuddly Dudley Moore decided his towering golden girl Susan Anton with a warm gift, a white mink that costs $18,000.

The pint-sized lecherboy, who is riding high with his hit flick "Arthur," used the furry wrap to comfort poor Suzy after her concert tour in Japan flopped.

Amazingly, the furry mutt hermaphrodite cost a mere $10,000, but Susan's six-foot frame required thousands of dollars worth of extra tailor. — Nigel Dempster.

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Ex-heavyweight champ Joe Frazier showed he still has the muscle in a press conference to announce his comeback.

Burly Joe suddenly grabbed one of the reporters by the throat, saying what he plans to do to his opponents and gave the writer a bearish hug.

The 40-plus ex-champion's squeeze was mighty enough to cause the stunned scribe to pass out for a full 10 seconds. Maybe Joe should try wrestling instead of boxing? — James Brady

BEST OF THE GOSSIP COLUMNS

Baby Carter signs to write for a girlie magazine.

Liz Taylor promises soon being left off "beautiful" list.

Actor Bernie Kopell, the doctor on "Love Boat," steps out in Hollywood with his pretty wife for a night on the town.

Actor George Alexander Godunov and his sometime girlfriend, Tonka, attend a play at Broadway's Broadhurst Theatre.

Actor Bernie Kopell, the doctor on "Love Boat," steps out in Hollywood with his pretty wife for a night on the town.

NEXT WEEK

In The News...

- A glowing spaceship terrifies six witnesses, including two police officers, in one of the most bizarre and well documented UFO cases of all time.
- Mary Tyler Moore, Sylvester Stallone, Lucille Ball . . . these are just a few of Hollywood's big names who reached the top despite battles with pain and handicaps they kept secret from their fans.
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PUZZLE CORNER ANSWERS

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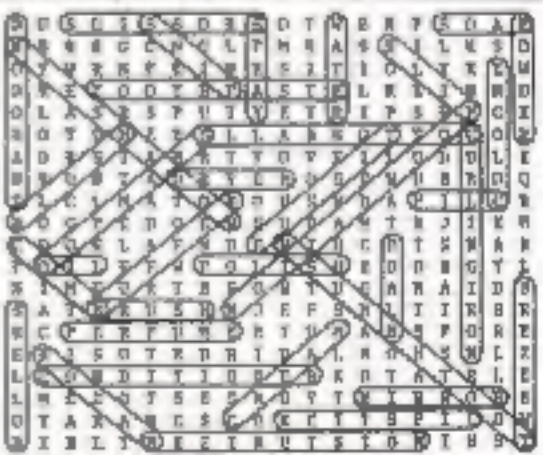
WORDWHEEL

The answers to this week's Wordwheel, things associated with grooming, appear in the diagram at right. They may be read horizontally, vertically, diagonally or backwards.



TELEVISION QUIZ

1. In county Dublin, Jimmy Sangster Hospital.
2. His name's Capt. Benjamin Franklin Pierce.
3. Nancy died in a helicopter crash.
4. The story's set in the Korean War.
5. Mary is from Toledo, Ohio.

KIDS' QUIZ

Thirteen years ago.

Beatle possessions up for sale at a huge rock 'n' roll auction

The battered, old piano may look worthless — but Paul McCartney of the Beatles used it to tap out his first, boyhood tunes.

The black jacket may seem rather out-of-date now — but it was made specially for John Lennon when Beatlemania was at screaming pitch.

By SUZANNE THOMAS

Now, they are up for sale together with Beatle posters, autographed books and a film script with Paul McCartney's scribble scrawled across it.

There will also be a wristwatch that Elvis Presley gave to his chauffeur and souvenirs of other rock 'n' roll greats — but for the most part it will be Beatle memorabilia that is up for grabs on December 8 when Bothelly's, the famous auctioneers, have their sale in London.

It is being set up by Hilary Kay of Bothelly's Collectors' Department. She is gathering all she can from the music scene in the years when the Beatles became international celebrities.

"I am looking for good original material that is closely associated with groups from the '60s and '70s," she says.

"I've had a lot of response from Liverpool. A number of mothers have come in and said, 'My daughter has left home, and I've been through the attic and found a hoard of Beatle stuff.'

"Then there are the fans who have come in line was waiting for a glimpse of the Beatles outside the premiere of 'Help.' She managed to get their autographs plus three of their girlfriends' and wives — Jane Asher, Patti Boyd and Cynthia Lennon.

"Fans have said 'I would never have believed when I got his autograph that I would ever sell it — or that it would ever be worth anything.'

None of the three remaining Beatles has donated anything yet — but Hilary would not be surprised if they turned up at the auction. "I'm sure they will get in hear about it, and maybe they will want to buy something," says Hilary.

Perhaps Paul McCartney will want to buy back his old piano, a black, upright piano that has seen better days.

But Paul had it at his home for eight years from the time he was 10 years old. One can imagine him crying out Buddy Holly songs and his own latest hit.

"We would hope to get at least £8,000 for that."

That would be the starting price, too, for John Lennon's Steinway.

The piano is obviously quite valuable because it is a Steinway. But its real value is that it belonged to John Lennon. He bought it in 1970 in London, we were.

John Lennon's jacket would cost a little less. The black, frock-design coat with green checked lining was made by U.A. Millings and Son — the tailors who made all the Beatles' suits from 1962 to 1968.

Hilary says the jacket will bring at least £600. And John Lennon's black, knitted silk tie is expected to sell for the same amount.

She says Ringo Starr's tie is less valuable — £200 upwards.

Other items will be four individual Beatles posters, from 1963.

"The photographer who took them gave one of each to a lady who worked for him in New York, and signed them for her.

"She was amazed when we told her they would probably sell for at least £400 each," says Hilary.

The list of musical goodies goes on and on.

There is even a brightly painted pouch, taken from the Beatles' old record company headquarters.

And there is even a record from Hamburg, Germany, out when the Beatles were young, unknown, and going under a different name — The Silver Beetles.

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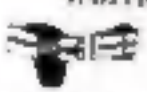

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